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## YOUR MONEY AND YOUR LIVES!

Our Church is advancing in missionary interest and support. A new sense of responsibility for the work of the whole Church is apparent in the increased giving of congregations everywhere. It is now necessary for an advance to be made in terms of human life and service.

Within this Dominion we have many fields in which ground is being lost for lack of lay workers. Perhaps the Indian Boarding Schools administered by the Commission of our Missionary Society represent the most urgent need at this time. Two hundred men and women are needed to maintain them efficiently, and all should be Christian missionaries, whatever their special task. This diocese is asked to supply some recruits to fill vacant positions.

In the far North there is Aklavik, needing at least seven workers early this summer. New buildings are going up at Carcross in the Yukon, and at Fort George in James Bay and at least ten men and women should go to staff them. Other schools are calling for teachers, nurses, and women workers in kitchen, laundry and sewing room. Devoted men are needed to care for heating and lighting plants, for farms and gardens, and to guide the older boys in practical skills, in work and in play.

Money can open the doors but the work is only done as lives are offered and pass through them. Who will advance and volunteer?

H. A. ALDERWOOD.  
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# Diocesan News

## ADVANCE

This year, 1944, marks the beginning of the Advance Programme, decided upon at General Synod and explained to us all in the small blue folder sent out late last autumn. A good beginning was made when so many parishes overpaid apportionments in 1943, thus providing means to start the new work without delay.

For 1944 the dioceses throughout the Dominion have undertaken to raise much more money for this work through apportionments. The Executive Committee of this diocese has accepted an increase of 26½%. A study of the apportionment sheet will show that nearly all apportionments are increased. This increase represents the share of each parish in the advance planned for this year.

We are all proud of the lead our own Church is giving in meeting present needs and in preparing for post-war conditions. We all share the faith that the blessing of God will rest upon our every effort to ensure that His will be done.

Now, let us to our task at once in faith and with prayer, being confident that "He which began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Jesus Christ."

Perchance our eagerness and example may draw some who have hitherto been neutrals into the company of those who desire and labour for the coming of the Kingdom.

S. F. TACKABERRY,  
Secretary-Treasurer.

## EDMONTON VISITORS

Welcome visitors to Edmonton during the past month have been the Rev. J. L. Anderson, the Rev. T. Matthews, and Canon G. P. Gower. The Rev. J. L. Anderson is now a Naval Chaplain stationed at Hamilton. During his stay here he preached at St. Mary's in the Highlands.

The Rev. T. Matthews, now of Coaticook, in the Diocese of Quebec, visited his parents, Canon J. C. and Mrs. Matthews during the month, and preached in St. Stephen's Church.

Squadron Leader Canon G. P. Gower has returned from England after spending over sixteen months there. He expressed great pleasure at being home again with his family and friends. During his stay he preached in five of the city churches, and told of his experiences as an R.C.A.F. Chaplain in England. He has now returned to Ottawa.

## OBITUARY

### WILFRED R. BAKER

Wilfred R. Baker, a resident of the city for the past thirty-one years died in hospital on Sunday, February 27th. He was seventy-six years of age.

Capt. W. R. Baker was very well known in the Diocese and had played a prominent part in the work of the Church for many years until failing health compelled his retirement some two years ago.

He was a member of St. Peter's Church, having been one of the founders of the parish, and for many years has held the office of lay reader.

He was also a regular member of the Executive Committee of the Diocese, and attended both Provincial and General Synods as a delegate from the Edmonton Diocese. For many years he was Lay Secretary at the local Synods, and he was a keen member of the D.B.R.E. and other Diocesan boards.

Funeral service was held at All Saints' Pro-Cathedral on March 1st., the service being conducted by the Ven. S. F. Tackaberry.

Capt. W. R. Baker is survived by one son, Major W. H. Baker, now serving with the R.C.A.S.C. in Italy; one daughter, Mrs. V. McQuay; two granddaughters, Corporal Barbara Kellaway (C.W.A.C.) and Adele McQuay, both of Edmonton, and one grandson, Wilfred A. Baker, of Calgary.

## INDIA AND CHINA RELIEF FUND

(As received at Synod office to 28th Feb., 1944)

All Saints'	\$ 163.25
Ashmont	10.00
Battle Heights	6.50
Barrhead	18.00
Blackfoot	6.00
Bittern Lake	36.00
Bittern Lake W.A.	10.00
Bluffton, Mrs. Buckingham	2.00
Boyne Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Jesson	2.00
Edgerton	22.00
Edson	20.55
Edson Sunday School	2.30
Fort Saskatchewan	9.90
St. Faith's	84.44
Grand Centre, Mrs. David	1.00
Heath	7.00
Holy Trinity	252.30
Islay, Mrs. Coulton	2.00
Irma	7.50
Jasper	102.95
Jarvie	5.45
Killam	5.00
Leduc	12.50
St. Luke's	33.03
St. Mary's	20.80
St. Mary's, G. Clark	10.00
Mannville	34.50
St. Mark's	11.68
Onoway	62.20
St. Paul's	3.55
St. Peter's	41.40
Ponoka	27.88
Rife and Glendon	6.50
Tofield	13.00
Vermilion	23.32
Wainwright	52.85
Winfield, Mr. and Mrs. J. Walters	4.00
Winfield W.A.	5.00
Winfield	2.25

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## SUMMER CAMPS AT KAPASIWIN

It has been decided that the annual Diocesan Summer School will be held this summer during the last two weeks in July. The D.B.R.E. has full charge of all arrangements, and will be appointing the 1944 staff in the near future. The School will be run on similar lines to that of previous schools, and it is hoped that there will be a large number present to enjoy the lectures and the fellowship.

An attempt is to be made to organize camps for both boys and girls during the first two weeks in August. These camps will be properly supervised,



and they promise to fill a real need among Anglican boys and girls both in the city of Edmonton and throughout the Diocese. The cost of the camp will be kept down to a minimum, but individuals or groups who contemplate attending might well initiate a savings scheme right away to take care of any expenses at the time of the camp.

If possible, a definite effort to improve our Kapsiwin property will be made this spring, and any who are interested in joining a working party for cleaning, painting and clearing trees and brush are asked to communicate with their clergyman. A great deal can be accomplished by the enthusiastic efforts of well-wishers of the camp who are willing to give a little time and energy to the project.

## Rural Deanery of Edmonton

HOLY TRINITY  
THE REV. W. M. NAINBY

### Young Women's Fellowship

Meetings were held on the 9th and 23rd of February. The latter meeting took the form of a "shower" in aid of the Hay River Hospital.

At our first meeting in February it was decided to increase our pledge for this year. Plans were made for a Telephone Bridge and Whist Drive which was held on February 11th. The prize-winners were Mrs. D. L. Fowler and Mr. G. H. Humphries.

### Mothers' Union

There were thirteen members and two visitors present at the February meeting which was held at the home of Mrs. Polley. Five pairs of socks were handed in for the Active Service Group, and plans were made to assist in making hassocks for the Lady Chapel. Corporate Communion was arranged for the morning of February 10th. Our next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Drake, 10631 80th Avenue, on Thursday, March 2nd.

### W.A.

The highlight of the month was the Leap Year Tea which was held on the evening of February 16th. The gentlemen invited to pour tea were the Bishop of Edmonton, Archdeacon Tackaberry, Mr. T. W. Bull, Mr. T. S. Thompson, Mr. H. Wild, and Mr. W. Drake. The hall was very attractively decorated with hearts and cupids, and a most enjoyable evening was spent by all who attended. The topic of the missionary meeting on Tuesday, February 22nd, was Latin America, each member contributing an interesting item. Delegates were also nominated for the annual meeting of the Diocesan W.A. which is to be held on March 7th, 8th and 9th.

### Choir

Following the evening service on February 20th, the choir served refreshments to their friends, when a social hour was enjoyed. Mrs. Pryor looked after the arrangements, assisted by Mrs. Mackie and several of the members. We hope that Mrs. James, who is recovering from a bad attack of the "flu," will soon be back with us again.

### Parish Guild

At a recent meeting held at the home of Mrs. Legge, plans were made for serving luncheon on March 8th, to the delegates attending the annual Board Meeting of the Diocesan W.A. Mrs. Vernon Pearson is the convener. The luncheon is to be held in the Hudson's Bay Co. Empire Room.

### Holy Trinity Girls' Club

Our main social function of the month was the joint entertainment with the girls of No. 16 E.I.D. of members of the R.C.A.F. at a party and dance held in the Orange Hall. We would like to thank Mrs. Smalian, Mrs. Cowley, Mrs. Middleton and Mrs. Hodgson for assisting us with the refreshments.

A most enjoyable house meeting was held at the home of Clara and Joan Race. Mrs. Melrose is to address our last meeting in February.

**Lenten Services:** Another Lenten series has been arranged by the rector, and clergy from other churches invited to give the address. The Bishop introduced the series at the service on Ash Wednesday.

**Chapel:** The tower room has been made into a chapel for occasional services, and especially for Thursday morning services and baptisms. We must congratulate Mrs. Tingle on the beautiful altar frontal which she made. Also, Mrs. Wood and her helpers, who are making two dozen hassocks.

**Scout Week:** The parade of the Boy Scouts, Wolf Cubs, Guides and Brownies in commemoration of the birthday of the founder of scouting, was held on Sunday, February 20th. It was a fine turnout of each troop from Holy Trinity, and also the Scouts and Guides from Garneau, and it proved a most impressive service.

**Confirmation:** Classes are in progress both for those who are still attending School and also an Adult Class. The first class meets in the vestry on Mondays at 7 p.m. and the adults meet in the chapel on Mondays at 8.15 p.m. Any who are desirous of being confirmed this spring are invited to attend.

**Sunday Schools:** A great many awards for attendance have been distributed during the past month. Thanks to Mr. G. Bradley, a movie show was presented for the children's entertainment. Last Friday Mrs. Tingle showed the set of slides of Copping's "Life of Christ." We welcome Mrs. Gibbs to our staff in the main school.

**Visitor:** We were glad to welcome Squadron Leader Canon G. P. Gower to our evening service on February 27th and to hear his address on the Chaplaincy Service.

**Mortgage News:** We have now passed the seventeen hundred dollars' mark in our objective to clear off the remaining mortgage of \$4,200 this year.

### ST. MARY'S

THE REV. A. ELLIOTT

**W.A.:** At our last meeting Mrs. Kent and Mrs. Robinson were elected as delegates to the Diocesan Board Annual Meeting, to be held at All Saints' Pro-Cathedral and parish hall and Christ's Church parochial hall, on March 7th, 8th and 9th.



## CHURCH MESSENGER

The members are busy preparing our bale for the Indian schools and are also planning a tea to be held on March 23rd. We hope all who can will attend and help along our Church work in this way.

**Lenten Services:** Services will be held every Wednesday during Lent, at 7.30 p.m., and we look for a good attendance throughout.

**Sunday School:** Six members of the Henderson family were recently awarded prizes for attendance during 1943, Helen, Derek, Trevor, Gerald, Lester and Hugh. Helen and Hugh were absent only twice during the year and the others had perfect attendance. This must be a record at any time for any family at St. Mary's.

**Men's Club:** A Men's Club has been formed to help along the work of the parish. The members are very interested in the Sunday School and are at present planning to provide the male staff. Mr. J. Humphreys is now the Superintendent and we welcome very gladly the help that is being given.

Thanks to Mr. G. Clark, some members of the Vestry and the Men's Club the hall is being much improved, to serve until such time as more complete changes are possible.

**Junior Choir:** A valentine party was held for the Junior Choir by their leader, Miss L. Davies, in the parish hall recently. Games provided most of the evening's entertainment with refreshments being served later. Assisting Miss Davies were Miss Doris Davies and the Vicar. The party broke up at 9.30 p.m. We hope to have another evening of fun in the near future.

It was a great pleasure to have with us for two services during the past month the Rev. J. L. Anderson, whose home is in the Highlands. Mr. Anderson is a Naval Chaplain at present stationed at Hamilton, Ontario, and he preached at the 11 o'clock service on 6th February.

We wish to extend a very hearty welcome to Flt.-Sgt. J. Anthony Ross who with his wife and young son has returned home on furlough after serving overseas for three years.

### GLENDON

Our Travelling Priest, Rev. H. J. Jones, again visited us on Sunday, February 20th, conducting service in the Glendon Norwegian Lutheran church enroute from Rife to Ashmont. In the congregation was Private Donald Morris Sherck of the Army Service Corps, who has just been returned from two years' service overseas, and is stationed at Mewata barracks in Calgary. Private Sherck is visiting his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Sherck at Glendon on leave-of-absence. Mr. Sherck had not seen his nephew since 1921.

### GRAND CENTRE

Services were held in the church each Sunday afternoon in Advent and it was indeed unfortunate that so few attended in preparation for the Christmas Festival. Attendance came mostly from east of town, over very bad roads, but those who came found help in regular worship, the Advent Lessons from Holy Scripture and the study of the Lessons of "The City of God coming down from Heaven."

All Anglicans, and some others, were very glad indeed to be able to make their Christmas com-

munion when our Bishop and the Rev. H. J. Jones visited us on December 21st. Twenty-six people received communion at 11 a.m., with about sixty-five in the congregation who also attended Evensong at 3 p.m. We are grateful to Mr. Jones for his services at the organ and his sermon at Evensong on the need of individual and personal religion—in prayer and daily quiet with God. Very bad roads reduced our Christmas congregations to about half the usual attendance.

The Christmas offerings were most encouraging and together with the ten thousand feet of lumber obtained by the men put us well over our objective of \$500.00. It is sad however that there are still people who are content to make use of the benefits received from the Church without attempting to shoulder in any way their share of necessary cost and effort.

We were glad to welcome into full family church membership Messrs. Richard Daeley, George Garden, Albert Lucas and Harry Welsh, when they were confirmed and received by the Bishop at Christmas time. It is a very happy sight to see complete families now coming together to make their communions, and in this way is built a healthy church family worshipping God in complete union.

The Font Memorial Fund is slowly mounting up. Let us all steadily set aside a little and help to place this Memorial in our church by July. Mrs. Wotherpoon is treasurer for this fund.

On Sunday, January 2nd, after morning service, an excellent dinner was enjoyed together by the Ladies' Guild and the Church Men's Committee, after which each held their annual meeting. It was unfortunate that all members of these organizations did not make an effort to be present at their annual meeting, as much business is planned for the New Year, and it is necessary that all members should be present to take their part in the business of the church. The Ladies' Guild unanimously decided to make no change in their leadership for the coming year, leaving Mrs. Lucas as president and Mrs. Wotherpoon as secretary-treasurer. The Men's Committee retained Mr. G. Garden as chairman and Mrs. Wotherpoon as secretary-treasurer.

The Church Committee decided that a fee of \$5.00 each should be charged for grave plots in the church cemetery and that all graves must bear the name of the deceased.

It was found that all church organizations were in good financial shape, and all accounts paid and everybody is set to further enthusiastically every effort planned for our work in 1944.

The next meeting of the Ladies' Guild will be held in the home of Mrs. Welsh, on February 3rd; and the usual St. Valentine's dance will be held in Grand Centre Hall on February 11th.

A Church Young People's Club was decided upon at a meeting held at the home of Mr. H. J. Ayres, on January 9th. Leaders will be Mr. Richard Daeley and Mrs. N. Wotherpoon. Mr. Ayres was present at the meeting in an advisory capacity. Matters regarding membership, rules and objectives were drawn up and it was decided to start the club with a skating party and a moccasin dance on the lake, on January 21st.



## CHURCH MESSENGER

The Club got off to a good start when fourteen members were enrolled, and thirty-three persons present, at the lakeside home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Daeley, on January 21st. The evening's program included skating and dancing. Many took advantage of the ice which was in fair shape. Two large bonfires lit the scene. Prior to supper an impromptu sing-song was quickly organized. Games provided great amusement. Two songs sung by Mrs. Dick were very much appreciated. After an excellent supper, there was a business period, during which Mr. Daeley outlined the rules, objects and the immediate objectives of the Club. Mr. Daeley stated that funds thus far had been built up through voluntary donations. Keen interest was shown in the various activities and functions which were suggested. It is expected that many will take some active part to insure the success of this new organization. A short discussion brought the meeting to a close, after which skating and dancing were resumed.

The gathering broke up in the early hours of the morning and a good time was had by all. Good fellowship and a spirit of fun prevailed throughout the evening. Music for the evening was provided by Mr. Daeley and Mr. Gantz.

The Club extends its thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Daeley for their hospitality and to those who assisted.

We are grateful to George Kuwata for undertaking the work of secretary-treasurer for this club.

Confirmed: Harry Welsh, and Albert Lucas.

Received: George Garden and Richard Daeley.

## Rural Deanery of Pembina

### ST. MARY'S, JASPER

THE REV. T. C. B. BOON

The evening service on 6th February, which was attended by the members of the local Eastern Star and Masonic Lodges, was also well attended by our own people. It is a pity that it needs a special occasion to attract those upon whose consistent loyalty the Church depends. So many people have told us how much they enjoyed this service. There is no doubt that a well-filled church contributes to the inspiration of worship, and there seems no reason why the normal congregation should not be twice its present size.

Collections on behalf of the China and India Relief Fund amounted to \$102.95, of which \$60.00 was contributed by the Chinese community of Jasper through the kindly cooperation of Mah Hing.

After the evening service of February 20th the congregation gathered in the parish hall for a social hour, which was so much enjoyed that it is proposed to hold a similar gathering on March 26th.

New lighting has now been installed in the sanctuary of the church. It is very effective and a great improvement. The beautiful woodwork can now be clearly seen and appreciated.

A good response was received to the appeal for children's books for use in the hospital, and we should like to thank those who so willingly gave them.

The Organ Recital, given in the church on 16th February, by our organist, Mr. J. B. Snape, was a rare pleasure, and we are very grateful to him for his well-chosen and excellent programme. His technique, as always, was faultless and St. Mary's is very fortunate in having such a capable organist. Mrs. Cable, who assisted, delighted everybody with her beautiful voice, and was heard to particular advantage in Gounod's "O Divine Redeemer."

On Ash Wednesday a communion service was held at 10 a.m., and in the evening the first of the Lenten services in which we are joining with the United Church—the services being held alternately in each church. The address on Ash Wednesday was given by Rev. N. D. McInnes, who spoke on the "Meaning of Faith."

The W.A. has met at the homes of Mrs. Blake Rutledge and Mrs. Skett, and is well on its way with its work for the year. Our W.A. has a commendably progressive spirit and its latest step forward is to establish a fund for the building of a new vicarage. The Girls' Auxiliary has now been organized under the leadership of Mrs. Pat Lewis, with the following officers: President, Betty Cleveland; Vice-President, Vera Slee; Secretary, Marion White; Treasurer, Audrey Skett; Dorcas Secretary, Marion Cleveland. The girls are meeting every Tuesday evening at 7.

The Junior Branch of the W.A. is still growing, and the girls are very keen on their work.

The Men's Club held "Open House" on 3rd February when the film "Next of Kin" was shown through the courtesy of the local military authorities. We have to thank Major Kitson for lending us and operating the projector. On 17th February the club interested itself in local history, when Mr. Cleveland read to it an article called "The Mystery of Mount Robson," provided through the kindness of Mr. Fenton McGuire.

Scout Week has been celebrated by our Wolf Cubs providing a colour party to raise and lower the flags in town. Through the kindly co-operation of the authorities this has been done at the Administration Building, the R.C.M.P. Barracks, Post Office and the school. Further activities include a Father and Son Banquet on Friday night (Feb. 25th) and a Church Parade next Sunday morning (Feb. 27th).

Appendix cases amongst the children have almost amounted to an epidemic, with Terry Mahood being the latest victim. This is our fourth, but we are glad to report that he is now well on the way to recovery. "Flu" and heavy colds have been very prevalent, particularly in the choir. We look forward to the time when we shall be able to have a full choir at both services once more.

### ST. CATHERINE'S, EDSON

THE REV. W. DEV. A. HUNT

The annual meeting was held on Monday, the 31st of February. There was a much better attendance than usual, probably due to the fact that we made something of a parishioners' evening out of it, with refreshments served by the W.A. and a short programme, including piano playing by Alan Boomer, our extremely promising young organist.

Sympathy was expressed for Mr. and Mrs. Tucker, whose faithful service to the church and congregation may perhaps be more acutely felt than



## CHURCH MESSENGER

ever in their absence at the Coast. The parish share real feeling for Mr. Tucker's illness and hope for his recovery. Appreciation was also expressed for Mrs. Elliott's past work with the Sunday School, which has barely recovered from the shock of her leaving it. However, thanks are certainly due to the efforts of Mrs. Buck, Mrs. Dakin, Mrs. Reid and Mrs. McCaig, Miss Elsie Richardson, and to the Vicar, who presented the report, for bringing it back to life and strength. Mr. Hunt is conducting the School regularly in the church now instead of the parish hall, believing that in this way the children will better learn the meaning of worship; also because some of these children might not otherwise attend church at all, as their parents in some cases do not do so.

Referring back to the Nativity tableaux, we were indebted to the Wabamun Mission for the loan of these.

The W.A. were asked to make their corporate communion on the first Sunday of each month.

Thanks were tendered to Mrs. Buck and Alan Boomer for their services as organists.

Members of the Vestry this year are: Mr. Buck, Mr. Winward, Mr. Albert Harrison, Mr. Bill Dobing, Mr. R. Stappard, Mr. Wm. Jellis; with Mr. Geo. Harrison as Vicar's Warden and Mr. H. Tucker as People's Warden; Mr. J. Gregg, acting for Mr. Tucker, and as Secretary-Treasurer. The Vestry is also to include the following women this year: Mrs. G. Harrison, Mrs. Whelpley, Mrs. Dobson, Mrs. Glover, Mrs. Tucker and Mrs. Laurence.

Delegates to the Synod this year are Mr. Gregg and Mr. G. Harrison.

Speaking of making things interesting, one often wonders why a missionary report or article could not be so written as to capture the layman's imagination. One feels that here, if anywhere, should be an abundance of material. Yet so often they consist of a bald statement of facts. At the Ash Wednesday service last evening we had an example of this. If we are to interest congregations of people in Missions—such an essential matter—why can they not be written up with illustrations and atmosphere? Our radios daily offer every variety of comparison.

A good contribution was made to the China Relief Fund.

Mr. Hunt has this year started a series of monthly letters to members of the congregation, dealing with the significance of each period of the Church's year and giving news of services and meetings. This excellent practice will be quite helpful.

The W.A. held a Telephone Bridge and Whist Drive on February 9th. Bridge being played at the homes of Mrs. Boomer, Mrs. Jellis and Mrs. Buck, and Whist at the homes of Mrs. Geo. Harrison and at the rectory. Mrs. Wilson assisted Mrs. Boomer, Mrs. Hardacre and Mrs. McCaig, Mrs. Jellis; Mrs. Dobson, Mrs. Harrison; Mrs. Gregg, Mrs. Buck; and Mrs. Laurence, Mrs. Reid, at the rectory. The evening seems to have been quite successful.

### ALL SAINTS', HATTONFORD

Owing to the exceptionally good roads that have lightened the rural priest's task this winter, the Hattonford congregation was able to enjoy a Sunday afternoon service on January 30th. About

thirty people were present. At the close of the service the annual meeting of parishioners was held. The Vicar requested Mr. Harry Ford to assume the office of Vicar's Warden. Mr. J. R. Woodring was chosen as the People's Warden, and Mr. F. J. Cundict as the delegate to Synod.

Bishop Barfoot has set aside May 7th for a visit to Edson, and we hope that the weather will allow him to make a detour to Hattonford on the Saturday afternoon.

### ST. MATTHEW'S, WOLF CREEK

On Sunday, February 20th, lantern slides dealing with the work of the Kangra Mission were shown in the church in place of the regular bi-monthly service. These M.S.C.C. slides are an excellent set and much interest was shown in them.

Three boys in the Wolf Creek area are now preparing for their confirmation which will take place in Edson, God willing, on Sunday evening, May 7th, at 7.30 in St. Catherine's Church.

### THE ONOWAY MISSION

THE REV. F. A. PEAKE, Vicar

During Lent we look forward to welcoming a number of visiting preachers who will speak on the general subject, "Characters of the Crucifixion." The series will be opened on March 2nd by the Lord Bishop. Other speakers are the Rev. W. M. Nainby, Rural Dean of Edmonton; the Rev. W. de V. A. Hunt, Rural Dean of Pembina; the Rev. R. S. Faulks, and the Rev. F. W. Baker. The Vicar's Lenten sermons will deal with the General Confession.

The Wolf Cubs had a party at the vicarage early in the month, instead of their regular meeting. The proceedings began with supper followed by games until nine o'clock.

The newly elected vestry held its first meeting during the month. The principal business emerging from the meetings were decisions to undertake the restoration of the vicarage, to contribute \$50 to the Vicar's travelling expenses under the new Diocesan scheme, and to present a church entertainment on April 21st in the community hall.

For the last venture a committee was appointed consisting of Mr. H. Galliford (chairman), the Vicar, Miss L. Dales, Miss L. Miller, and Miss E. Turnbull. It has been decided to produce two plays, one of which will be "Auf Wiedersehn," by Sada Cowan, which depicts the treatment of the Jews in pre-war Nazi Germany. The remainder of the programme is, as yet, undecided.

On the second Sunday of the month a highly successful Young People's service was held followed by fireside hour at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Dales. We are most grateful to all who helped.

Pyramid boxes are being sent out with the current issue of the "Parish News-Letter" and it is the hope of the warden that, as in previous years, they will defray most of the Apportionment.

### ST. JOHN'S, CADOMIN

THE REV. T. W. TEAPE

(January Notes:)

We are very happy to be able to report that Mr. Teape and his wife are to remain in the Coal



# Searchlights of the War on Great Subjects

## III.—ON FREEDOM AND CONTROL

By Rev. Ebenezer Scott, M.A., B.D.

Conscription is no longer anathema in England, the classic land of freedom. Mr. Churchill openly expressed his hope, in answer to a question recently addressed to him in the British Parliament, that military training would remain compulsory for British youth after the war. From the other side of politics, the shout goes up for the nationalisation of every department of our industrial and commercial life.

It is not surprising, therefore, that we also see signs of revolt against the threatened encroachments on personal liberty and private enterprise. The ground is laid for new battles when this war is over. The Pacifist seizes eagerly on Mr. Churchill's declaration to cry out in triumph, "we told you so". An Individualist Society has been formed in England, with a press of its own, which devotes itself to proclaiming the advantages of private enterprise over public control, not only for the interest of the individual, but for the public good. Men are busy on all sides sketching the Utopia that is to be set up after the war. There are more likely to be many Utopias to declare war against one another. That is the weak point about Utopia.

It may seem at first sight a weak solution, but our hope lies in the British genius for compromise. For this, rightly understood, is worthy of a more dignified name. It means, rather, preserving a just balance. This world is governed, not by formal logic, nor yet by sudden revolutions of thought, but by the truth and reason of things as revealed by the course of time and events, which gradually bring one principle out of another.

There are many departments of our common life already in which no particular persons or companies are concerned. The Post Office is an extreme instance, as it is impossible to conceive how that could be conducted at all except on a public basis. In many towns and cities, such utilities as gas and water and electricity, as well as the more common means of transport, are owned and administered by the corporations. The mining industry is such a perennial source of disputes and discontents that one would almost be thankful if the State would once for all relieve us of the strikes and lock-outs that are periodically disturbing our physical comfort and our peace of mind. But how far the nationalisation of mines and railways, and other like services on which the general public is dependent, would be a panacea for the ills we suffer, or would rather aggravate them, is a question which requires the most expert knowledge as well as the most sympathetic spirit in its treatment.

We may trust our people to strike a balance between soulless officialism and selfish acquisitiveness. Both freedom and control may be carried to excess, but if each learns from the other something of its spirit and purpose, they will both make a richer contribution to the welfare of mankind. The more society realises its duties and responsibilities towards the individuals of which it is composed, the more room there will be for personal initiative and private enterprise.



We may expect many compromises to be made, in our usual British way. May we not go further, and say that we not only expect them, but hope and pray for them? For is not our British way also the Christian way? With all our planning for the future, it must never be forgotten that God's own plan is to deal first with the individual souls of men, and through them to work out the salvation of the world. The Christian ideal is to preserve the balance between the duties and privileges of every soul of man, and the universal fellowship in which the soul finds its highest satisfaction, between the order and discipline of law and the love and sympathy of Gospel, between the sacredness of a man's personality, in which is involved the right to some possessions, without which his very freedom cannot have full scope, and his place in the great multitude which no man can number who pass with him through all the tribulations of time to the everlasting joy of the city of God.

"Self-reverence, self-knowledge, self-control,  
These three alone lead life to sovereign power".

But we cannot be free ourselves if we are not controlled by the righteousness of God; and we cannot call Jesus Master and Lord if we do not follow His example of service towards all our brethren in God's one great family of mankind.

## Comments Original and Otherwise

### LORD HALIFAX IN CANADA

Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador to the United States of America, visited Toronto in January to address a gathering of the members of the Board of Trade celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of its birthday. As usual his speech was very thoughtful and revealed his genuine Christian stand for which he has always been noted. He said that British people were at one in seeing how directly the Nazi philosophy cut at the roots of our whole way of life, and how irreconcilable therefore was the difference between the Nazis and ourselves. We do not always reflect that our belief in freedom is the direct outcome of the value we have learned to attach to human personality; or remember that the principal source of this reverence for personality has been the age-long emphasis of Christian teaching upon the eternal worth of each human soul. We have not always given these things much thought, and too often have been content to live upon the accumulated capital of the past. But on the day that we realized how near we were to losing this inheritance, we awoke to a new sense of what it meant.

### FOSDICK CELEBRATES

New York.—In his sermon marking the fortieth anniversary of his ministry, the Rev. Harry Emerson Fosdick said, "Forty years ago, thinking Christians thought it was necessary to adjust Christ to modern civilization—to modern scientific and intellectual concepts. But today, if the world is to survive, the need

is for adjusting modern civilization to Christ." Mr. Fosdick declared that such time as is left to him for active ministry will be devoted to helping put back again "the truth that there is an everlasting right to which our nation, our business, our racial relationships, our schools and churches, and our personal lives must be adjusted if salvation is to visit us."

### WHAT CAN I DO FOR CHRIST?

That indefatigable and very infectious leader, Bishop Tucker, issued to the Church a Lenten and Easter pastoral. In part it read as follows:

"If Easter means for us a fuller experience of Christ, it will also mean a call from Him for larger and better service. Lent must therefore include preparation for our response to this call. We must be constantly asking not only "What can Christ do for me?" but also "What can I do for Christ?" Otherwise our desire to meet Christ would be the most despicable kind of selfishness. "Whosoever will save his life will lose it, but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the Gospel's, the same shall save it."

This is the spirit that we must try to develop during Lent. We are preparing to meet Him who came not to be ministered unto but to minister and to give His life as a ransom for many.

Our purpose in meeting Him is not simply to take advantage of His generosity, but rather to be imbued with His spirit of service and qualified to render it. We are eager to

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## WELL DONE

Again the Church has done magnificently under the devoted leadership of the Most Reverend L. R. Sherman, Archbishop of Rupert's Land (chairman), and the Reverend Canon R. A. Hiltz, General Secretary of the General Board of Religious Education, (secretary) of the Apportionment Committee. The amount contributed by the Churches is over \$11,000.00 more than the amount allocated to them. This is an excellent showing in view of the many other claims being made upon our people for war activities, etc.

Along with this first step in advance, it is expected that we shall have advance in Church attendance, advance in thoroughness in the teaching of the young, increased enthusiasm for our missionary work both overseas and at home and a new application of the principles of Christianity in business, political and social life. Increased amounts on apportionments should be only a token of these and must be if the Church is to do her duty in that state of life to which God calls her.

Below are the returns for 1943:

APPORTIONMENT		RECEIPTS			
Diocese	Totals	M.S.C.C.	G.B.R.E.	C.S.S.	Totals
Algoma .....	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 3,510.33	\$ 272.04	\$ 215.63	\$ 3,998.00
Arctic .....	850.00	895.68	57.96	46.36	1,000.00
Athabasca .....	1,466.67	1,316.67	100.00	80.00	1,496.67
Brandon .....	2,250.00	1,973.88	153.07	123.05	2,250.00
B. Columbia .....	6,200.00	5,469.09	422.73	338.18	6,230.00
Caledonia .....	1,222.22	1,158.18	83.52	66.67	1,308.37
Calgary .....	6,111.11	5,361.11	416.67	333.33	6,111.11
Cariboo .....	1,250.00	1,102.56	85.22	68.20	1,255.98
Edmonton .....	3,200.00	2,954.36	217.86	174.88	3,347.10
Fredericton .....	12,222.22	10,722.22	834.34	666.66	12,223.22
Huron .....	42,777.76	39,527.76	2,916.66	2,333.34	44,777.76
Keewatin .....	1,466.67	1,302.01	100.00	80.00	1,482.01
Kootenay .....	3,666.67	3,223.75	253.25	200.00	3,677.00
Montreal .....	43,000.00	35,560.63	2,767.08	2,215.29	40,543.00
Moosonee .....	1,344.45	1,405.85	107.16	81.44	1,594.45
N. Westminster .....	15,166.67	15,268.24	1,151.84	923.71	17,343.79
Niagara .....	29,333.34	27,106.22	2,098.90	1,762.60	30,967.72
Nova Scotia .....	14,666.67	12,866.67	1,094.03	800.00	14,760.70
Ontario .....	6,400.00	6,491.81	504.55	403.64	7,400.00
Ottawa .....	18,333.34	18,666.82	1,272.64	1,023.56	20,963.02
Qu'Appelle .....	3,700.00	3,301.54	254.97	201.82	3,758.33
Quebec .....	9,200.00	8,070.91	627.27	501.82	9,200.00
Rupert's Land .....	6,888.88	6,425.86	500.27	398.45	7,324.58
Saskatchewan .....	1,600.00	1,403.64	109.09	87.28	1,600.01
Saskatoon .....	3,055.55	2,682.86	208.00	171.00	3,061.86
Toronto .....	91,666.67	83,258.31	6,254.40	5,013.26	94,525.97
Yukon .....	733.34	682.38	50.00	40.00	772.38
	<b>\$331,572.23</b>	<b>\$301,709.34</b>	<b>\$22,913.52</b>	<b>\$18,350.17</b>	<b>\$342,973.03</b>

## Lift Up His Ensign

By Georgie Tillman Snead

Over the hilltops the sun is now mounting,  
Swiftly the dark mists are leaving the land,  
Visions of beauty before us appearing,  
Joy, sweet joy, is abroad in the land.

Lift up his ensign!—the nations are waiting—  
Watching and waiting its colors to see.  
Pass out the watchword!—The King in his  
beauty  
Comes to his children their bondage to free.

Days of rapture awaiting our greeting,  
Days of freedom, of peace and of love,  
Lift up his banner! see earth is now moving  
From out her penumbra to glories above.

Lift up his ensign! Forward, go forward!  
Sound out the watchword—Now cometh our  
King!  
Heaven and earth rejoicing shall greet him,  
Glory and honor to earth He shall bring.



## COMMENTS

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be like Him; to have the mind of Christ. Like St. Paul, during Lent we will be praying not only that we may know Him and the power of His resurrection, but also that we may share in the fellowship of His sufferings; that we may have some part, however small, in the effort and the sacrifice that He is making to redeem the world."

## MORE EVANGELISTIC

In a recent article The Church Times says that in the past the function of the Clergy has been predominantly a pastoral one, and that it will be lamentable if this pastoral work is ever neglected.

"Under modern conditions, however, the most prominent aspect of the priestly vocation cannot be the pastoral. The crying need of contemporary England, as countless observers report, is for more evangelism. Wherever the clergy are placed, they will find that the most profitable outlet for their energies lies not in maintaining the faith of the faithful so much as in pleading the claims of Christ with the outsider. It is a commonplace that people to-day are hungry for religion and that the Church is confronted with an opportunity without parallel for half a century. For several decades past the record of the Church of England has too often been tarnished by narrow partisanship and an unworthy preoccupation with trivial things. Both inside and outside the Church, critics have been concerned to note that the really important things in religion have been subordinated to disputes about ceremonies, liturgical minutiae, and the maintenance of mere externals. However justified this feeling may have been, it is apparent that a new breath of realism is blowing through the Church, and that the important things are beginning to disentangle themselves from the unimportant."

## COMING HOME

Men will be coming home from the war in ever increasing numbers and the parish church should make its individual preparations to receive these men into the normal life of the parish and community. What kind of Church life will await them? Will it be worthy? What kind of welcome will they receive?

In England some interested people are preparing special services of semi private nature in the churches for the men and their families—a thanksgiving for their return and a rededication of the family to the service of mankind.

Whatever form the welcome may take it should be planned well in advance and should be worthy of the occasion. Any suggestions might be sent to some central body and experience pooled for the benefit of the whole Canadian Church.

## SERMON BY A GENERAL OF THE ARMY

From a New York Church paper I quote as follows:

Orlando, Fla.:—A very unusual service was held here when 3,500 people jammed the municipal auditorium to hear Brigadier General Hume Peabody tell why Americans should be thankful. The service was sponsored jointly by the army air school located here, of which General Peabody is the recently appointed commandant, and the local ministerial association. The invocation was made by the local Roman Catholic priest, the benediction was given by the local Rabbi, while greetings from the ministers were delivered by Dean Johnson of St. Luke's Cathedral. And General Peabody preached a sermon which was the envy of all ministers present.

## EVANGELISTIC PREACHING

On a previous occasion I made reference to the crowded congregations when it was announced that Wing Commander Gregson was to be the preacher. I have recently seen another occasion where the same thing happened. Not only was the church filled but there must have been fifteen or twenty people waiting to see him after the service was over, a quite unusual thing when the preacher is a stranger. Noticeable also were the number of young people from the air service. I have lately been reading the life of Father Staunton of St. Alban's Holborn, London. Ecclesiastically he and Wing Commander Gregson were far apart, but I can imagine him delivering just such sermons as that I heard yesterday.

## TOO MUCH CHATTER

From the Church of England Newspaper, London, I take this editorial comment:

"The source of Mr. Churchill's confidence, in that greatest peril of Britain's long history, was his conviction that God was in control of the situation. The most powerful factors in social crisis and development are personal convictions. It was the world's enormous good fortune that, when Britain was disarmed in the face of the greatest military machine in history, the man in control felt sure of divine guidance. The religious certainty of a British aristocrat, for example, gave to the atheistic, socialistic Soviet régime, precious time to rearm and prepare. It is a very rich irony! And a very profound lesson! If we learn it—that personal Christian convictions are the most decisive social factors—the Church will chatter less about mere social programmes. She will look more to her supreme task of personal evangelism."



## TRADE UNIONISM AND CHRISTIANITY

It must be many years since an annual Trade Union Conference was urged by its president to give first consideration to Christian teaching and loyalty. But this is what happened recently at Blackpool, England. The National Union of Dyers, Bleachers and Textile Workers, with a membership of 200,000 textile operatives, met in conference. Mr. Michael Walsh, in his presidential address, deplored the ignoring of Christian principles in modern civilization. He then went on to say something that required moral courage. He argued that the selfishness, ignorance and apathy of the workers was a greater enemy than any vested interests of the employing classes. That, in fact, is true, if only for the reason that selfishness is the root of vested interests. But what is important is not what Mr. Walsh said, but the fact that he said it at all in a presidential address to an annual Trade Union Conference. It is symptomatic of the beginnings of a new tide in matters of belief and attitude towards religion. We must not make too much of this. One swallow does not make a summer. We are not even sure that this particular bird can be correctly described as a swallow. But it does indicate, however slightly, that the age-long triumph of secularism is beginning to be challenged. It presents the Church with a new opportunity. In order to exploit that opportunity to the full, the Church must avoid the temptation of over-estimating this new sympathy with Christianity, of thinking that the geese are swans. Christianity begins in repentance. Without it there is no Christianity. To think of Christian principles as an instrument useful for social progress is most certainly not Christian, according to the New Testament. That is what most of the new attitude to Christianity amounts to, so far. But it is a beginning.

## A PRESBYTERIAN PREACHER IN WASHINGTON CATHEDRAL

Upon the invitation of Bishop Freeman, the Rev. Henry Sloane Coffin was the preacher not long ago at Washington Cathedral. He is the President of Union Theological Seminary and a member of the commission of the Presbyterian Church which holds meetings with a similar commission of the Episcopal Church, looking toward the unity of the two communions.

"When a surgeon deals with a fracture," he told the large congregation, "he cannot knit the broken bone. He can only provide a splint to hold the fractured ends together, and let them grow into one. That growth into oneness takes time, but it cannot start unless the splint is put on. Here are two great communions, which for four centuries have lived separately and at times have been in conflict. They have solemnly announced their resolve to merge. The representatives charged with providing the method of effecting union suggest these basic principles as a splint. If the official bodies

of both Churches approve them, then growth into oneness can begin."

## SUPPLEMENTARY ORDINATION

In a summary of reunion proposals between the Episcopal and Presbyterian Churches in the United States, published in *The Church Times*, London, we are told that it is proposed to regularize by a purely temporary provision, the status of nine thousand ministers, previously ordained in their own Church, so that the clergy of both Churches can administer the Word and Sacraments to all members of the United Church. The proposals call this rite "supplemental ordination." This is not to be regarded as re-ordination of a clergyman, but as a rite by which he is given such further grace of orders and such authority for the wider exercise of his ministry as, according to God's will, may be conveyed through the action of the Church in and by which the rite is performed.

The essential act will be as follows. In the case of a Presbyterian minister the bishop of the diocese concerned shall, with attendant presbyters, lay his hands on his head and say:—

Receive the Holy Ghost for the exercise of a more representative ministry and priesthood in the Church of God. Take thou authority to preach the Word of God and to minister Christ's Sacraments in the congregations whereunto thou shalt be further called or regularly appointed.

In the case of a priest of the Protestant Episcopal Church, the presbytery shall proceed in the same manner, and shall use the same form.

## ANOTHER MUNITION WORKERS' CHAPLAIN

The announcement that the Rev. T. Clarke, curate of Farnworth parish church, Widnes, is to leave at the end of the year to take up an appointment as chaplain to Royal Ordnance Factory Hostels in the north-west area, provides further evidence of the increasing co-operation between the Church and Industry in England.

## CATHEDRALS ARE UNIMPORTANT

So thinks the newly-elected liberal Bishop of Washington, Dean Angus Dun, of the Cambridge Mass. Seminary, who hesitated before relinquishing the Harvard post which he has held for 23 years in favour of a position which will require him to raise millions to finish the majestic minister now being erected on Mount St. Alban a few miles from the White House. Dr. Dun much prefers being a real pastor to the parish priests who are in charge of the 29,000 episcopalians living in the Washington diocese. The Nominating Committee of the diocesan convention picked four candidates, all of them liberals in theology, for the episcopal election. (Time).





## Cottage and Vicar

ENGLAND'S TRADE MARK

England has one superlative advantage over all other countries . . . she is England.

Stately homes, vast cathedrals, rolling downs, borderless moors—these are one part of the English scene. But the other part is the cottage bowered in honeysuckle. You have seen it on the screen, the stage, and the post-card—the thatched roof, the tiny windows, the scarlet geranium on the sill, the roses, the water-butt, the chickens.

You will find it, just as you hoped it would be, in a thousand villages and hamlets. War has not troubled its comely face. But behind that face, inside the thick walls, above the huge fireplace, on the mantle, there are snapshots, snapshots of boys and girls in uniform. The road outside is torn up by fast tanks out on a "scheme." The Cricket field and the Green have been carved into allotments. War has been more of a wet blanket than a raging fire. It negatives life, rather than makes a positive assault on it.

Thow off the blanket! Look down the road at that perfect gem of undirected beauty. This cottage, that gently-toned stone wall sweeping round the east end of the churchyard. Then, the church. The rooks sail round the embattled Norman tower, and nest in the war-silenced belfry. You ask a resident, "Five hundred, eight hundred, a thousand years old?"

He supposes so. Vicar'll know. Best ask him."

Ah, of course, the Vicar! Some day it is to be hoped that an historian reading deeply of the history of this land, will trace the influence of the Vicar upon the life of the nation. Waterloo may have been won (or lost) on the playing fields of Eton. But Waterloo was a school-boy scrap to some of the battles fought and won under the direction of a poorly-paid, extravagantly housed, often-mocked-but-never-despised, gentleman in a frayed cassock.

Here he comes now. He is short and stocky. His face is full and lined, especially beneath and around the eyes which are brown and clear. Two chins pile up and over his dog-collar and give support to a mouth that is well-shaped and kindly. What hair he has is white.

He is a type, yes, a character if you will, the representative of a hundred thousand hard-working men. They grin and bear considerable abuse with patience. They know that they can count on a good deal of genuine

affection. They know men and women well. They have a sound appreciation of their day-to-day life. Though they do not condone meanness and selfishness, they know enough about life to treat even such sins with sympathetic understanding. The knowledge which service has given them has preserved them from the bitterness which misunderstanding creates.

Above all, as the years passed, they learned the lesson supreme above all others for those in Holy Orders: they learned to keep their mouths shut. Now, forty years on, they can listen to the most preposterous suggestions of their latest curate, or the wildest screams of an irate parishioner, with equanimity, even with a smile. Well done, good and faithful servant!

He has no set hours of work. The result is that he sets himself a time-table which he is unable to follow. A few persons may wonder what he does with his time. Many more have reason to be grateful that he is able to find the time to spend hours with their sick, and even watch through the long, cold hours of the night by the coffin of their loved one. Seldom do people think of asking him for an appointment, being under the impression that he is always in the study, or out with the chickens somewhere in the orchard. Even at that, they generally call on him at meal time. They keep him chatting in the hall about enormous insignificances while his meal grows cold. He is forbidden by courtesy to speed the parting guest who has just finished his dinner, and his day's work, and is now trying to work up enough courage to ask the Vicar to call his banns!

Generally speaking these long-suffering and quiet gentlemen can answer most questions put to them by those who seek advice or information. Though they may not be able to croon, or play the piano at the Sunday School entertainment (a portion of the bill for which they will be expected to meet) they can and do preach helpful and devout sermons.

Now in war-time, they are expected to occupy their spare time with the duties of air-raid wardens; take their turn as fire-watchers; instruct the Air Training Corps in aerodynamics, and the Sea Cadets in navigation; parade with the Home Guard; and settle all billeting complaints to the satisfaction of all parties concerned. On Sundays they are required to prepare an extra service and address as the Honorary Chaplains (quite unpaid) to the local garrisons.

Take them for all in all they are men. They and the cottages of their people have made England.



## CHAPEL TO HONOR AIR FORCE DEAD

Subscribers in all parts of the nation have contributed a fund amounting to more than \$80,000 for a chapel in Westminster Abbey to be a memorial to airmen who lost their lives defending England in the Battle of Britain. King George, Queen Elizabeth and Queen Mary all made donations to the fund, the bulk of which is made up of thousands of small offerings. The work of creating the new chapel in the ancient Abbey will be undertaken after the war. It will be formed in what might be termed the large alcove of a bay already rich with priceless carving. In it will be kept the honour roll of R.A.F. pilots who gave their lives.

## BIBLE STORIES BY RADIO

The Bible is like a great picture-gallery. It contains history pictures, poetical pictures, dramatic pictures, but the kind that young people like best are the story-pictures. Jesus made these for us. We call them parables.

Each Sunday morning from now till after Easter, the Radio brings the characters in the parables to life. You will hear them speak in the series "The Way of the Spirit".

One of the most famous of the parables will be presented on February 27th. It is the story of the Good Samaritan. It tells in the well-known words of the pure kindness of a Samaritan to a Jew who had been attacked by robbers and left to die. The Samaritans were supposed to hate the Jews, but that did not prevent this one from helping the wounded man to safety. Jesus warns us in the story to get rid of race prejudice, and orders us plainly to be good neighbours to all men.

In the Radio play the story comes to life. You hear the attack by the robbers, the cry of the wounded Jew, the voice of the good Samaritan, the very hoof-beats of his horse as it carries the victim to the shelter of the inn. We have read it all often, but hearing it will make the meaning even more real.

The story-picture on the Radio for Sunday morning, March 5th, is the one about the Talents. Here is a tale, full of incident, that makes an excellent play. In it, Jesus tells how a rich man went off on a journey, leaving certain sums of money (called Talents) with three of his servants. They were to work hard while he was away, and really make good use of the money. Each was to do his best by using his money to make increase, and so have more to hand in to the master on his return.

We know how they behaved. One, who had the largest sum, doubled it. One, who had a moderate sum, doubled it too. But the one who had the smallest sum made no effort at all. He buried it. He did not do anything wrong with it. He just did nothing. To point out how God abhors laziness in His service, Jesus painted a tremendous scene of judgment

as climax to the story. The lazy servant was utterly condemned.

The Radio play will let us hear the full dramatic lesson of the parable. Servants and master will speak for themselves, and the lesson Jesus taught will remain with us all the more clearly.

C.B.C. Trans-Canada network, Sunday morning: 10.30 a.m. A.D.T.—9.30 a.m. E.D.T.—11.30 a.m. C.D.T.—10.30 a.m. M.D.T.—9.30 a.m. P.D.T.

## THE CHURCH BIBLE AND PRAYER BOOK SOCIETY

The forty-fifth annual meeting of the Church Bible and Prayer Book Society was held in Toronto on January 17th, 1944, with His Grace the Archbishop of Toronto presiding.

It was reported that during the past year more than one thousand books had been distributed for use in 13 Dioceses. The Organizing Secretary, the Rev. W. G. Walton, was warmly commended on the success of his year's work, and grateful thanks were tendered to all who contributed in various ways for the benefit of this branch of the Church's activity. Their support has very definitely helped to make the rendering of Services more hearty and effective in many isolated places.

For forty-five years the Society has given assistance to struggling congregations in this great Dominion, and has made no less than 2,887 grants, at an expenditure of \$43,713.88. It has also collected and distributed, during the last four years, 3,200 used books. In view of the straitened circumstances with which so many parishes are faced, the Directors hope that contributors will continue their generous support, in spite of all the other appeals that have to be met in war-time.

The Organizing Secretary is the Rev. W. G. Walton, 127 Delaware Avenue, Toronto 4, and all correspondence relative to grants, or to offers of used books in good condition, should be addressed to the Rec. Secretary, the Rev. Charles Carpenter, 73 Bedford Park Avenue, Toronto 12, Ont.

In the secret of His presence how my soul delights to hide

Oh, how precious are the lessons that I learn at Jesus' side.

Would you like to know the sweetness of the secret of the Lord?

Go and hide beneath His shadow, this shall then be your reward.

And when'er you leave the silence of that happy meeting-place,

You must mind and bear the image of the Master in your face.

—B. Frank Mountford.



# MARCH



1. Ember Day.  
Saint David, Arch-  
bishop of Menevia,  
circ. 544.
2. Chad, Bishop of Lichfield, 672.
3. Ember Day.
4. Ember Day.
5. SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT.
7. Perpetua and Felicitas, Martyrs 203.
12. THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT.  
Gregory the Great, Bishop of Rome,  
Doctor, 604.
17. St. Patrick, Bishop of Armagh,  
circ. 465.
19. FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT.  
Saint Joseph.
20. Cuthbert, Bishop of Lindisfarne, 687.
21. Benedict, Abbot, 543.
25. Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin  
Mary.
26. FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT.

## TODAY AND TOMORROW

The older one gets the more clearly one sees what a degree of balance is needed for the tight rope journey of life,—too much weight on one side or the other and over we go! We are told, for instance, that we must live life a day at a time,—“sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof”—and that is a maxim of which experience teaches us the undoubted value. You cannot do tomorrow’s work today, nor carry its burden in advance,—and the most frightful mistakes are sometimes made in the attempt to solve the problems of the future here and now. People who make a habit of crossing their bridges before they come to them, wear themselves out and sometimes, quite literally, worry themselves to death.

We are told, then, that it is the part of wisdom to live life in daylight compartments. And yet—and here’s the paradox—we are also told that we must “Take The Long View.” It is certainly unwise to accept today’s valuation of the happenings of today. The little things loom so large when we are close to them, the pinpricks smart unbearably, the molehills obscure the view, and we know quite well that as soon as time has been allowed to push them into their proper perspective we shall see them as the trifles that they are.

So here we have two pieces of apparently contradictory counsel—“take life a day at a

time” and “look beyond today.” But it may be that obedience to both is possible, and I rather think that the achievement of a balance between the two may, perhaps, be the secret of serenity and poise. Can one not aim at daily acceptance of the difficulties of today with the assurance that strength for tomorrow’s problems will come with tomorrow’s dawn. That, after all, is our faith. If we are doing our best from day to day we should confidently expect to receive all the help and the courage we shall need. And surely to live thus by faith need not destroy our sense of proportion. When something irritating comes along today, we can remind ourselves that it is not really as big as it looks, and each tiresome occurrence need not be allowed to put us out of our stride or work us up into agitation. The matter may be maddening at the moment but it will pass, and experience should teach us that if we are to meet the larger issues of life with adequate dignity and courage we must waste neither emotion nor energy upon the fleeting frets of every day. And the same applies to events in the world, in one’s own country, in one’s own neighbourhood. The history of mankind is a biggish business and it will take a long time to work it out even with the help of God. The trouble with most of us is that we are so impatient, we even want to hurry the Almighty, and yet if we are to work with Him we should be well advised to imitate his patience. The immediate present seems to us to be of such importance, but God has all eternity to work in, and why, indeed, should we worry if today seems full of failure and frustration,—there is always tomorrow and the day after tomorrow.

So let us walk our tightrope in faith and in good fettle, doing our best each day, and looking with hope and trust to the tomorrows.

—Mary Greaves.

## BIDE A WEE

The following hangs in the porch of St. Paul’s Church, Summerville, South Carolina:

If after Kirk ye bide a wee  
There’s some wad like to speak to ye.  
If after Kirk ye rise and flee.  
We’ll all seem cold and stiff to ye.  
The one that’s in the seat with ye,  
Is stranger here than you, may be.  
All here hae got their fears and cares;  
Add your own soul unto their prayers  
Be you our angel, unawares.

If you are ever made to feel badly by the stranger that rushes from your Church complaining that nobody spoke to her (or it may even be a “him”), emblazon it in large letters where it may be clearly seen as she (or he) rushes forth.

(Quebec Diocesan Gazette).



## NOT SO LONG AGO

A dispatch from London, Ont., notes the discovery of a petition "yellow with age," a petition presented by Westminster council to the Ontario legislature in 1908 begging that body to ban motor cars from the highway on Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays so that farmers' wives might get to market. That petition was not the freak document it appears to be to-day. It represented a formidable movement which reached its climax in that year and thereafter waned—a movement to restrict motorists from the full use of Ontario's roads. And that was not so many years ago.

It was in March of that year that the deputations from rural Ontario waited on the legislatures and fought the thing out with representatives of the Ontario Motor League. There were, at the time, five bills before the House, and their radical nature may be judged from the fact that one (Mr. J. H. Devitt's) would have barred automobiles from the roads three days a week; another (Mr. Donald Sutherland's) would have reserved the hours between 1 and 7 p.m. for non-motoring and pedestrian traffic exclusively; a third (Mr. C. M. Bowman's) would have forced a motor car to halt 100 yards from a horse. And the Grange asked, among other things, that no automobile be allowed on the roads outside cities and towns from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturdays and between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Sundays; that rural motor speeds be restricted to 10 miles an hour and that an automobile meeting a horse-drawn vehicle turn out wholly clear of the beaten track wherever possible.

The bitterness of the anti-motorists was revealed in a number of fiery addresses. Hear Col. Hugues, Reeve of Clarke Township, as reported in *The Star* at that time:

"The automobile keeps one thousand women off the roads in my constituency. Not only is the auto a danger; it's a nuisance. We can't keep our doors and windows open and the nuisance is great on Sundays. Why should we pay for good roads when we are driven from them by the auto? The people are up in arms against the auto. You would be if you had been pitched. I was pitched over a fence, and if I had had a rifle in my hands at that moment, there would be one person less in this Ontario."

Mr. Donald Sutherland said in supporting his bill: "I don't think for a moment that only the farmers are opposed to the auto. The majority of people in towns and cities feel the same way." The Canadian Annual Review of that time pictures the motor cars as "sweeping over the country roads with a sometimes utter disregard of the well-being of those on foot or in other vehicles." Some people, it says, called motors "devil-wagons."

But all the things they were called did not convince the legislature that the radical re-

strictions prooosed should be embodied in the statutes. Mr. T. R. Russell and others spoke on behalf of the motorists, and the upshot of it all was that only moderate restrictions were imposed—most of them, in fact, still in force to-day. Seen in perspective, that was the deciding battle of the anti-motor-car campaign. And the anti's lost.

## Moving Picture Films

The Supplies Department has recently added the following new 16 m.m. silent films to those already available and listed in Catalogue 424.

- No. 43 R.F. 35—Jesus Gathers His Friends
- No. 43 R.F. 36—A Ministry of Healing
- No. 43 R.F. 37—A Countryside Teacher
- No. 43 R.F. 38—The Kingdom of Heaven
- No. 43 R.F. 39—Jesus and the Temple
- No. 43 R.F. 40—Blind Leaders
- No. 43 R.F. 41—Hours of Trial (Part I)
- No. 43 R.F. 42—Hours of Trial (Part II)
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## ARCHBISHOP OF YORK WILL BE GUEST HERE

The Archbishop of York, Most Rev. Dr. C. F. Garbett, is expected to visit Toronto for several days after Easter, Archbishop Derwyn T. Owen, Primate of All Canada, announced recently.

The Archbishop of York, who recently conferred in Moscow with officials of the Russian Orthodox Church, has been invited to visit the United States by Rt. Rev. Henry St. George Tucker, presiding bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church. The Archbishop's Toronto visit will be subsidiary to his trip in the United States.

Rt. Rev. Henry St. George Tucker, in extending the invitation, stated the trip would be valuable "in strengthening relations between our two countries and our two churches."

Be sure of God. With simple, loving worship, by continual obedience, by purifying yourself even as He is pure—creep close to Him, keep close to Him. Be sure of God, and nothing can overthrow or drown you.

—Phillips Brooks.



## NEW CITIES

The Povost of Coventry, the Very Rev. R. T. Howard, speaking in Plymouth, took as his subject "The Spiritual foundations of our new cities".

He dealt with the purpose of cities as revealed in their history and pointed out their character in the future if they are to serve their purpose in the present age.

The true purpose of a city is that it should be a city for people to live in. It is for the full, rich, personal life of every individual, at every level of his existence, of all ranks and all ages; and also for the rich social life of the community, which is made up of the many individuals and groups of persons within the city. Any other purpose must be subservient to that main purpose: the good life of all the persons in the city."

He elaborated his meaning about the good life—good healthy physical life, good recreational life, good cultural life, good family life and good social life. There will be such homes for all the people so that they can have the children they need, and bring them up with due regard to health and work and play and leisure time. The city must be so planned that the chief citizens may be content to make their homes within their city instead of being compelled to escape from its sordidness far into the country.

"The city will be carefully planned so that smaller portions of it (say, each group of 10,000 people) may develop a close-knit neighbourliness and sense of community feeling, with a full equipment of community buildings and rooms. The average city dweller of today has not yet even dreamed of the happiness of city community life, because our cities have not been built to make it possible. In our new cities we must never again segregate the people into areas all of one wage group, but thoroughly mix up the homes of all grades.

"Finally, the city must be planned for the eternal life of every citizen. For that is the end and object of all life here upon earth, that in and through his daily life—all of it—a man may learn to have fellowship with God, His eternal Master and Father and Saviour and Lord. That, of course, means that our churches must stand at the centre of every neighbourhood-unit, calling and gathering the people to the communal worship of God. It means that factories should have their places of worship, where daily work is hallowed to the honour and glory of the Eternal. It means perhaps that in every street, perhaps within a hundred yards of every house, there should be a little oratory into which the people of that tiny neighbourhood can easily drop for prayer and quiet which is so easily denied us in our homes. And nothing that happens in man's ordinary activities must make it difficult or impossible, as it so often is now, to live the spiritual life which is his true nature."

In Canada we are only beginning to create cities, though one or two have already developed with undesirable conditions. In all

future planning the words spoken of Coventry and Plymouth may well be given careful consideration.

## WHAT I WANT

I would have the eyes of Christ,  
Seeing only light;  
I would have the heart of Christ,  
Strong to do the right;  
I would have the joy of Christ,  
Thankful, glad and free;  
I would have the feet of Christ,  
Walking God with Thee.

I would have the mind of Christ,  
Thinking only good;  
I would have the peace of Christ  
When misunderstood;  
I would have the hands of Christ,  
Blessing, helping, giving;  
I would have the Love of Christ,  
Making life worth living.

—Marion B. Shoen.

## MRS. J. M. SNOWDON

Caroline Elizabeth Magee, wife of the Venerable J. M. Snowden, Archdeacon of Ottawa, entered into Paradise on January 12th, 1944. Church Messenger joins with Church people throughout Canada in extending sincerest sympathy to the Archdeacon and his family.

## POET, PRIEST, PATRIOT

Soldiers returning from the first world war, when asked about their padre, usually answered, "I knew Canon Scott." "He was with us in the front trenches. He brought us cigarettes and clean socks."

Archdeacon Frederick George Scott was a great adornment to the Church of England in Canada. He spent most of his life when not soldiering at St. Matthew's Church, Quebec City.

By the outbreak of war in 1914, he had firmly established himself as a Canadian poet of distinction. His published volumes included "Soul's Quest and Other Poems," 1888; "Elton Hazelwood," 1892; "My Lattice, and Other Poems," 1897; "Poems Old and New," 1900; "The Hymn of Empire and Other Poems," 1906; "The Key of Life," 1907; and, "Poems," 1910. Since that time he has written consistently verses of high merit. Among the most recent were "To England" and "Hymn In Wartime", the latter written after the fall of Hong Kong.

In 1916 he was made a Companion of the Order of St. Michael and St. George and in 1918 he was decorated with the D.S.O. Church Messenger joins with the whole Canadian Church and especially the Diocese of Quebec in honouring a great man and in extending sincerest sympathy to the members of his family.



# The Message of the Church to Those who are Sick

## 2. God and Disease.

Good Morning! We present today's Good News, Tuesday, Aug. 31st, 1943.

Here is the Good News, and it is found in St. Mark's Gospel, Chapter 1, verses 32-34, and in St. Mark's Gospel, Chapter 7, verses 14-23.

Our Good News this morning has much to teach us about one of the many perplexing problems of life, namely, the Problem of God and Disease.

In the first of the two passages, the lovely sunset scene, we have a revelation of what God thinks about disease and the kind of action He takes against it. In the other passage, we have a challenge from Jesus to check our thought life, because it has much to do with disease.

It is difficult to reconcile disease with belief in the goodness and love of God. All those malignant germs that eat their way into the human body, and rob the mind of its sanity—why should they exist? Why should they have such power? Why should the innocent suffer?

If we do not believe that God is love, there is no mystery at all.

If an impersonal power has created things, it has the right to make them as horrible as possible. It does not owe anyone the slightest consideration whatsoever. It has a perfect right to mock or scourge, or even kill you. There is no sense crying out to it, because it neither cares nor understands. People sometimes say that they were compelled to give up their belief in the love of God because of suffering, and yet they continue to whine. If it does not care, if it does not hear, why whine?

It is because we do believe in a God of love, that there is a mystery. And, therefore, we can ask questions. Though the mystery of the presence of disease may continue to baffle us, nevertheless, we can find out what God thinks about it, and the kind of action He takes against it.

Those three verses, the sunset scene, tell us what God thinks about disease, and the action He takes against it. Here is Christ fighting disease, curing it, restoring health to those who suffer. This is the will of God with regard to disease. He expected His Church, to whom He gave the command and the power, to fight and cure and restore to health those who are sick.

The power of the Holy Spirit was also given to the doctors to be instruments in the crusade against that which is contrary to God's will. They never leave sick people with the idea that it is God's will for them to be ill. They try their hardest to cure people and

make them well. Thus the Church and the doctors are doing God's will, helping God through the power and skill He has given them, to make sick people well, as Jesus did when He was on earth.

It is not enough to tell an individual that it is not God's will for him to be sick; we must fight for the removal of all conditions in modern social life that give disease a chance to grow.

The two popular methods of attack either by alleviating the condition, which eases but does not cure, or leaving it to the government, are not enough. Social conditions which breed disease are contrary to the will of God. In our war against disease, we must face God's challenge to attack the enemy at its home base.

God's war against disease must be carried on in a third theatre or area and that is in the mind of man. In 1931, Dr. D. P. Lockhart gave an address before the British Medical Association in which he said, "When one reviews medical certificates, it is impossible not to be struck by the number of such conditions as nerves, debility, etc., while clinical observation shows an increase of diseases which, on careful study, disclose no organic basis. A case is made out, which suggests that these diseases have a mental explanation, and therefore must be viewed from that point of view."

In 1937, Dr. Daniel T. Davies, and Dr. A. T. M. Wilson, who studied 205 cases of peptic ulcer, concluded that in 84 per cent of the cases, the symptoms began after some occasion of acute anxiety, that "Chronic peptic ulcer is an example of the influence of the mind in producing structural change."

These two statements present a challenge to the Church whose divine Master, time and time again, cured the minds of those who were brought to Him.

So much then for the question of God and Disease. Now for a message to those who are sick. We take for granted that you believe God did not send the sickness to you and that it is His will for you to be well. We also take for granted that you are going to co-operate.

Only the other day a doctor said to me in the hospital, "Please urge that patient of mine to co-operate." Our co-operation is absolutely necessary if we are to receive God's help for us. So we make two practical suggestions.

### No. 1. THINK.

You will find it the greatest help in the world to read your Bible. The Gospel story will tell you what Jesus did and the promises



He gave. You will find in the Acts of the Apostles that the early Church, by the power of the Spirit, did what He did and found that His promises are true. Read and think about these acts and promises.

#### No. 2. THANK.

This is vital, because to think is to thank. Each morning in your own words, thank God that it is His will for you to be well. Thank God that the Church and doctors are instruments of His Holy Spirit to bring the ministry of healing to you. Thank God that He gives you the grand and glorious privilege of fellowship with Him and that in this loving comradeship we learn His perfect will for us.

What is God's will about disease?

It is to be fought and cured. This is the Good News.

### "I AM UPHELD"

Seldom a day passes but I am asked to send a Message to Toc H at home or abroad; and I am a very poor hand at framing messages. But five and twenty years have not obliterated the memory of a message I received upon the threshold of old Talbot House. Almost before my eyes, I still retain the figure of a Guardsman, Fred Hinks, a Portsea Club boy, who became Sergeant in the Grenadiers, a man equipped with a rare confidence in Christ. I should put his age down at about twenty-two. I knew him well. These were his final words to me as he went out into the stormy streets of Poperinghe, leaving the Old House finally, as it proved.

The Guards were due to open the attack on Passchendaele, and both of us realised that it would be costly. Sergeant Fred Hinks simply said to me: "Good-night. Don't mind, whatever happens. It's all right. I am upheld."

Those were his parting words. They may, of course, be easily explained as an illusion or a false prophecy, for he became part of that great cost; but I do not believe that he intended to comfort me with any certainty of supernatural safety. He was ready either for life or death. The instinct in him was that time well spent within the Upper Room had robbed him of his fears and hesitations. He was upheld in a far deeper sense. He knew whatever happened to his body, nothing could overcome his life in Christ.

I AM UPHELD." Here, indeed, is a message bestowed on me by one upstanding man, leaving the warmth and welcome of the House to re-emerge into the night of war. God grant today that many men may say beneath their breath: "The future for me now contains nothing that I cannot bear. I am upheld. My own prayers and those of others are not in vain. The work indeed goes forward, though I may not myself behold fulfilled results. Our hopes and plans entail a sacrifice, which, even if it falls with its full weight upon my shoulders, I will not reject. I will endure the Cross for other men, if I am chosen to sustain its

weight. God give me the quiet strength which solely can enable me to say 'I am upheld,' whatever comes to pass. Nothing shall shake that primal fact in me. Wherever duty takes me, I am upheld by Him in Whom I trust."

—Tubby  
(P. B. Clayton)

### IN A CONCENTRATION CAMP

Bishop William Roberts, of Shanghai, who recently returned on the Gripsholm, made the following statement when interviewed by the representative of "The Witness":

"Experience in concentration camp merely strengthened a conviction I have always had—that if we start with intercommunion Church unity will eventually follow. We had an inter-Church committee, though the Roman Catholics refused to have any part in it. But the many other denominations decided to worship together always. The services were led by ministers of the several Churches, but they were generous in allowing the Episcopalians to conduct the service every other Sunday. All the services were completely free. We received the Holy Communion from the hands of our brother Christians of other Churches; they from ours. Everyone was welcomed to our altar—not ours after all, but Christ's—and I believe if we welcome to the altar of Christ all baptized persons we will arrive at unity much sooner."

Nothing is lost, nothing really dies; all things are conserved by an energy which transforms and perpetuates in new and finer forms all visible things. While we watch by our household fires, the unseen architects are planning the summer; and the sublime march of the stars is noiselessly bringing back the bloom that seemed to be vanished forever.

—H. W. Mabie.

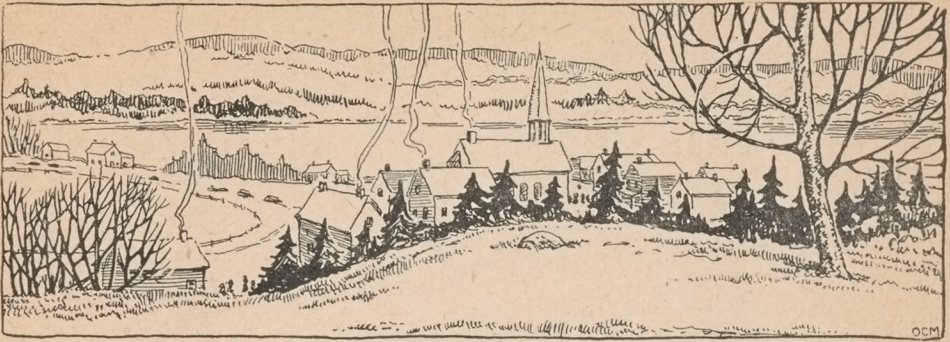
### A KING WHO WALKS WITH GOD

When a king puts his hand in the hand of God  
At the very gate of the year,  
Though the way may be dark and the foe  
abroad,

What need his Empire fear?  
For the God of Hosts will guide us on  
Through many a perilous hour,  
Though the way may lead by the way of the  
Cross,

We are led by a mighty power.  
We shall come at last to a harbour safe  
When our hour of trial is o'er;  
If only his people will follow their King  
And turn to their God once more.  
How blessed the nation that follows the lead  
Of a king who walks with God;  
No weapon forged can prevail against them  
Whose feet are with righteousness shod.





## HOME HORIZONS

By Charity Mauger

Perhaps March will arrive with soft grey, trailing clouds and lovely stretches of slush, but even if it is one of those "exceptional" springs which start searches through old records of temperatures, this is no day to rhapsodize about it. For the little thermometer on the wall not many feet from the fireplace, and the hot air register, says 56. And it isn't patriotism that the low figure registers, but too much aforementioned buckwheat coal, so fine for fine weather, which is too generously stretching proper furnace coal on this "bright but frosty" morning.

So it is with a warm heart but exceedingly cold hands and feet, that we try to make remarks, which if not exactly "June in January" are at least suggestive of spring bulbs in bloom,—in the window. But we have only to pause and think of what Italy has offered the troops, and what they have endured, and then to think of the civilians of Great Britain, especially the very old and the very young, to recall speedily the sense of thankfulness which is in reality always in our subconscious minds. If we are spared so much, then the greater the responsibility is ours for every possible form of repayment, in kind at least.

The snow is only covering the ground with sufficient white to reflect a glow of brightness inside the house. But that is not a matter of rejoicing, for under the snow is ice, and the roots of the grasses, and shrubs, and all living vegetation must be suffering. We are anxious about the fine pines which suffered in many localities last winter, and sent out new needles which were half green and half the "red flag of danger". The authorities thought it was root injury or disease which caused the trouble, and we hope against hope that the trees have enough strength left to regain fresh life next season. Now we hear of the spruce budworm with sinking heart. Do we overthrow the balance of Nature by some of our improving ideas, or do we give careless hospitality to some imported menace. So far this year

our bird shelf has not been visited, although we have heard chickadees and an occasional jay in the distance, and last night the hooting of an owl. Last spring our bittersweet died down too far to leave many berries on the vines, and that may account for the lack of visitors. Even if they didn't care for the bittersweet, if there was anything else, they were attracted by it to the yard, and soon spied the shelf. But if they are as scarce everywhere we shall miss them in more ways than one.

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### DISCUSSION GROUPS

Radio, if used with intelligence, can prove a great boon in the long winter evenings, especially in non-urban homes. The whole atmosphere can be changed with music which is acceptable to all, and a rigid tenseness disappears. Or speakers can enlighten, or at least set one thinking, and on very rare occasions genuinely amuse. The sort of humour given us, however, on the whole is pretty sad, and we are always hoping for somewhat better in that direction.

But the outstanding feature of radio during this winter of 1944 for Brigid and me has been the feature "Of Things to Come", supplemented by the Labour Forum and the Farm Forum. It is heartening to hear of the Discussion Groups in all parts of the land, grouped under provincial headquarters, who gather together to hear the speakers—particularly in

the case of Things to Come—and then carry on after the broadcast with argument and a decision of some sort. Without the discussion the broadcast naturally lacks decisive conclusion. At various times a summing up is not unlike a Gallup poll.

We regret so much that illness prevents our gathering a discussion group in our home, so that we might have the benefit of an enlarged viewpoint. It was good to learn that a group meets in the Kingston (Ont.) Cathedral, and it was personally exciting to hear a group being quoted from an isolated hamlet in a corner of





my home county. From the same community came a farm report of a Co-operative to improve selling conditions for farmers, who, for many years, have grown far more good produce than the existing population of the province could absorb. If the necessary market can be assured how much better that is than a bonus, or any form of social security in normal times.

One broadcast we heard gave representatives of various groups a chance to air their opinions for their members. It was good to hear the chairman angrily repudiate the fears of one group that their signatures on an adverse criticism might be used against them; we cannot have a sinister shadow behind the written or the spoken word, for repression is decidedly unhealthy for everyone concerned.

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#### A SMALL MATCH FOR A BRIGHT TORCH

There was considerable comfort, at least for me personally, in an explanation I heard, or read, about reform movements. The comforting point was that whereas the reformer often had in mind an improved state for but a very small portion of humanity, yet if he was successful in the course of time someone of quite a different status, and of another place and time, saw the results of the first effort and imitated it for some other purpose. And so the efforts expanded.

The gathering of the knights at Runnymede to force King John to sign the Magna Charta is usually taken as the outstanding example of a reform movement. But, as was pointed out, the knights were working for a small section of society, themselves. Their success, however, was a signal for some of the lesser men of England to go after their Bill of Rights. Indeed it has been the vigilant working men and women of the British Isles who have secured the nearest thing to this democracy that is so much spoken of now.

The comfort in this quite familiar bit of history is that it can be applied to the individual. Those of us who have striven, but in too feeble fashion, for a broadening of life's opportunities, perhaps never have realized how a quietly reiterated principle has fallen on a receptive mind, and may some day serve as a determining factor for a decision or an incentive which may have far-reaching results. Very consoling indeed, and ample need for such consolation for most of us.

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#### NOW WE NEED PAPER

The incessant plea of authority for each and everyone to save every possible scrap of paper brings to mind all too clearly the sight of burning heaps of papers and cutdown cartons, refused by the dealer because "no demand". That was a year ago, after a summer of strenuous collecting; the waste was necessary



to remove a fire hazard to our entire village street.

A story which has been a family byword for three generations seems to dove-tail perfectly into the above state of affairs. A member of the community who never seemed able

to make much of a go of life, or much of a living for his family, came to a neighbour who was used to lending a helping hand, and asked for the loan of a team of horses to haul some wood. "I don't want it tomorrow, but the day after", he explained. "Well, my team will be busy day after tomorrow, but you can have it tomorrow," was the reply. "Won't that do as well?" "Well, it's this way Squire. I've got enough wood for tomorrow."

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#### DOMESTIC? NO—VITAL

"Now don't forget to be domestic" called Brigid from her sofa. "Your typewriter sounds as though it were struggling through something heavy."

"Domestic? Why? When most of the women are in—in trousers, and every magazine and paper is full of advice as to stretching rations by stuffing them with bread crumbs or some one of your Family Fodder Flock."

The mention of the foddors, or dry cereals, was a bit unkind for Brigid had been sent a big box of small packages of various varieties and was for bestowing them on the neighbourhood children at once. But even if they do upset tradition, and are in my mind heresy in some of the suggested uses of them, in their place these pleasant bits of bulk are useful.

"I really meant you to be domestic for the men" remarked Brigid with quiet cryptic dignity, and let it go at that.

I countered with the prosaic fact that dietetic necessities, almost diametrically opposite for her and me, left little opportunity for food experiment. "Do you think many persons of either sex would take much stock in the truth that the yolk of egg is the only part you should have, while I should have only the white? It's convenient and even frugal perhaps in our case—but doesn't impress in a big way."

Nevertheless, it is important to break down these general and much publicized health rules in most instances into individual needs. A little knowledge of the now-familiar protein, carbohydrates or starches, minerals and vitamins can cause errors, particularly when people are working harder than usual and think they need a high protein diet. That brings the extra strain of digesting too much protein and starches, when what the body is crying out for is mineral salts and vitamins. The depression relief ration is responsible for many ruined systems, not because of the quantity, although that was insufficient, but because of the nature of the food obtainable. A clean blood stream is an important possession, and in ad-



vancing years will assist in maintaining a normal blood pressure and flexible arteries. So play up the M and V's, with uncooked vegetables and salad greens, with quick-cooked vegetables and unwasted "pot liquor" from vegetables (which should be very little), with raw fruits and dried fruits, not as taking second place to meat and quantities of starch foods, but as leading in importance in food values.

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The more we read and listen to the opinions and arguments put forth, for and against this method and that of ensuring a new world, the more do we remember the mistakes and weaknesses, and human frailties of humankind. The sincere mistakes are not the most dangerous sort; some of the schemes for the future must be mistakes. Our fighting men are learning many things in a hard school and they are already far beyond old prejudices and narrow fears. We would be wise not to lag too far behind them, and while we cling to the old truths to accept what is already inevitable for the future. It's so often blind prejudice and ignorance which brings unnecessary extremes.

Far removed from such problems were two of our latest acquisitions in books. One was "How to tell the birds from the flowers", a little book, new to us, which must have amused and entertained thousands since it has through the years run into many editions. Each page carries two woodcuts and a verse, and each two woodcuts depict a most amazing similarity between a bird and a flower, or a vegetable, or animal. For instance the catbird and the catnip blossom are drawn to look much alike and here is the verse: "The catbird's call resembles that emitted by the Pussy Cat, While catnip growing by the wall, Is never known to caterwaul; It's odour though attracts the Kits, And throws them in cat-nip-tion fits." It is a relief to get a shaft of clever nonsense on a grim gray day.

The other book also far removed from present day reality, is "The Frenzied Prince" by Padraic Colum, or probably plain Patrick in everyday life. It is a series of tales, each connected with the other, of ancient Ireland, a beautifully made book with marvellous illustrations by Willy Pogany. It might be classed as a child's book, but it more deeply touches the heart of Brigid, to whom it is a bit of the tapestry of a real past. It might be like a strain of music from the long ago too, were it not that all names are as in the Gaelic, and to a Canadian tongue they are stumbling blocks when being read aloud. Even Brigid, who is so seldom unacquainted with a word in the English language, confesses she knows no rules for pronouncing—to pick one or two names at random—Uargaesceo Luacharseo or Faemor-begbeoil and many less complicated. Cuchullain is familiar because of a beautiful horse in Canada that won many blue ribbons in its class, and Suivne seems undoubtedly Shuvne. This Irish, now an American, writer has done many historical story books, retold tales from the past of the various parts of the ancient world, which must be splendid for children.

## GOVERNOR GENERAL AND PARTY ATTEND SERVICE AT WATSON LAKE

The Governor General, Lady Alice and members of their party, when on their northern visit attended a Church of England Service at the Watson Lake, Y.T. Airport. The visit of His Excellency's party coincided with that of the Anglican Missionary who is carrying on the work of the Church on the middle section of the Alaska Highway.

The Service was held in the American Air Corps Recreation Hall and members of both American and Canadian forces, as well as civilian construction workers, attended. The hymn books used were those belonging to the U.S. Army, while the service itself was taken from the pamphlet printed by the M.S.C.C. for use in camps such as are found along the Alaska Highway.

The Rev. Robt. C. W. Ward, of the Diocese of Yukon, conducted the service. Travelling, since June in a 1934 Ford coupe supplied by Bishop Geddes, Mr. Ward has been holding services and showing 16 m.m. movies to the men in the various construction camps. By these means the Anglican Missionary has been able to visit a different camp each night, bringing the Gospel Message and some entertainment to the men who are doing such a vital work in this isolated area.

## A RECORD CIRCULATION

For a religious monthly, pocket-size, to increase its circulation from fifty thousand to a quarter of a million in a year is a record-breaking performance which stands to the credit of The Link, a publication which goes free to army chaplains who ask for it. Some 3,000 U.S.A. chaplains (including Roman Catholics and Jews) now get it. It is the organ of the newly formed army youth movement, "The Service Men's Christian League", which celebrated its first birthday by inviting Secretary of the Navy, Knox, to address the meeting. That men are turning to God in this war to a degree never approached before was Secretary Knox's message to the League members. (Time).

## FOURTH BEST SELLER

The Polish novelist's life of St. Paul ranked high in U.S. fiction lists recently. Sholem Asch who wrote a life of Christ, "The Nazarene", in 1939, now has produced a companion volume, "The Apostle", which is full of realistic resuscitations of First Century Life in Rome. (Time).

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Branch. They have taken up residence in the living quarters at the church, and plans are under way to erect an additional two rooms as soon as weather permits. We do hope that the residents of the Coal Branch will make the most of their good fortune and give all the support they can to Mr. Teape.

January is always a month of annual meetings, and these have been held in St. John's Parish. In spite of the fact that we, at Cadomin, did not have a resident minister, no branch of the church work showed a decrease. The Sunday School report showed that though the number of pupils is small, the attendance was fairly regular. The Willing Workers' report showed that \$25 had been given to the Rectory Fund, and \$50 to the various Relief Funds. This in addition to redecorating the church, and purchasing new hymn books, etc. We know that the Willing Workers will continue it's good work in 1944 as the new officers are: President, Mrs. Rice; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Teape; Treas., Catherine Moldowan, and Sec., Mrs. Miller. Our thanks are extended to the retiring officers.

We are particularly pleased to be able to report that on February 1st a service was held at Mercoal, when over sixty people attended. This was a splendid turnout and is a figure for some of the older established centres to aim at.

The Willing Workers held their first meeting of 1944 at the home of Mrs. Rice, February 11th. We were so pleased to welcome three new members to this meeting, but were sorry that some of the older members were not present.

Mr. Teape was present for the latter part of the meeting and took up the question of the Willing Workers affiliating with the W.A. After a discussion along these lines a resolution, that we become a branch of the Women's Auxiliary, was passed. We feel this is quite a step forward. Mrs. Rice was chosen as our delegate to the W.A. Annual.

After the evening service on Sunday, February 13th, the members of the congregation gathered at the home of Mrs. Moldowan, the guests of honour being Mr. and Mrs. Teape, who were given a hearty welcome, and presented with an envelope of money on behalf of the congregation and friends of St. John's Church. We sincerely thank Mrs. Moldowan for the use of her home for the evening.

No Sunday School classes have been held for the past three Sundays as there are quite a number of whooping cough cases in camp, but Sunday School will be resumed as soon as it is thought that the epidemic has passed.

#### MAYERTHORPE THE REV. F. BAKER

The annual congregational meeting was held in the Legion Hut on February 2nd. The attendance was not as good as we had hoped, but several matters of real importance were dealt with, particularly with regard to the envelope system of giving. Mrs. E. Holbrook and Mrs. D. Granley very kindly consented to look after the securing of new pledges, and in some cases the increasing of the old pledge, and the distribution of envelopes. This is not an easy piece of work and we are gratified to these two ladies for undertaking it, and will be glad to help in any way we can.

Officers for 1944 are: Vicar's Warden, Mr. W. W. Collier; People's Warden, Mr. C. Watson; Secretary, Mrs. E. Glazier. Members of the Vestry are: Mrs. A. A. Knight, Mrs. M. A. Kidd and Mrs. E. Holbrook. Mr. Walter Martin was elected delegate to Synod.

It was generally felt at the meeting that there are not enough of our churchpeople taking the matter of church attendance as seriously as they should. After all possible excuses have been made our attendance is still far below what it should be, and so with the financial side of the work. While we did end the year with all bills paid and a little cash on hand, we have no reserve for work which should be done on church building and property in the not too distant future. These are two conditions we hope to remedy in 1944.

The annual meeting of the W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. M. A. Kidd, but owing to bad weather conditions the attendance was not good. The election of officers was postponed until the February meeting to be held in the vicarage. The reports were good and showed a most successful year. Officers for 1944 are: President, Mrs. A. A. Knight; Vice-Pres., Mrs. M. A. Kidd; Treas., Mrs. E. Glazier and Sec., Mrs. H. Grigg. Prayer Partner Sec., Mrs. L. W. Baker.

A delightful W.A. tea was served at the home of Mrs. E. Holbrook. This was a very successful venture socially and financially. Guests were received by Mrs. Holbrook and Mrs. Grigg, and tea was poured by Mrs. A. A. Knight at a table tastefully decorated with spring flowers.

The work of the Sunday School progresses in the capable hands of Mrs. G. Edwards, Mrs. W. W. Collier and Mrs. H. Grigg. Attendance is steady and there appears to be genuine interest in the G.B.R.E. courses that they are following, but we do not forget the work of Mrs. E. Granley and Miss Ethel Holbrook, who helped so much to begin this work.

Our very sincere sympathy is extended to the Rev. H. G. Smith of the Mayerthorpe United Church who has had word that his eldest son was killed overseas.

Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Watson upon the birth of a son, and to Mr. and Mrs. E. Granley upon the birth of their son.

**Greencourt:** The weather has been such that no service has been missed and attendance, while not good, has been steady.

The Mayerthorpe branch of the W.A. is glad to welcome Mrs. J. Mulicke and Alberta, and Mrs. Sellech of Greencourt as members.

We are glad to welcome Mrs. Bailey home after her visit with her sons in Montreal.

**Lanira:** Heavily drifted roads made it necessary to cancel our last service, but we hope that that will be the only service missed this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Cording have been very kind in allowing us to hold service in their home during the winter months. The church that is the United Church in which we generally hold our services is just a shell, so that heating it is just about impossible in the colder weather.



## CHURCH MESSENGER

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### ST. MARY'S, BARRHEAD

THE REV. J. LOW

Another war-time Lent has come. Every day brings us nearer to the war's end. With all the relief that peace will bring, we know, too, that our responsibilities as a nation will be tremendous. The nation's conscience in such times is the measure of its contribution to the peace. Its conscience is sharp or dull in terms of the spiritual standard of its people. We are called to bare witness to the source of all spiritual strength. During Lent we have renewed opportunities to restore lost zeal.

The Wednesday evening services for Bible Study are suspended until after Easter. During Lent the addresses will be upon "Prayer." It is hoped that the interest of the young people will continue and that the sacrifice of time and effort on the part of all the members of St. Mary's will make the Lenten services real family gatherings.

### ST. PHILIP'S, WESTLOCK

We are spending one night a month studying the Archbishop of Canterbury's book, "Christianity and Social Order." That is little enough time for such necessary study, but it is a beginning. The Friday evening prior to the third Sunday is the night. Our evening services are to be brightened by a little choir of girls. The first time they came recently showed to what good effect is their service. Since, however, they are mostly members of the current confirmation class, a problem will arise on the night of the confirmation service.

We are glad that Mrs. Ritz is so quickly recovering from her recent serious operation and our prayers are with others who are unable to be with us, especially Mrs. Noakes in her very long and tiresome illness.

### ST. LUKE'S, CLYDE

We have been meeting on the Saturday evenings of the fourth week-end, holding a service of Bible study and hymn practice. However, we seem to be a rather small number for the church and in future it is expected that we shall meet in houses. The intimacy of a home circle for Bible study will no doubt improve the evening. If we can keep up the attendance even to former numbers, we shall certainly have cause for pleasure.

The idea that the auctioneer will soon be crying out at the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell is an unhappy one. We shall miss these good friends of St. Luke's and their family. We do hope, however, that they will quickly find a new church family to adopt them and that they will be very happy in their new home.

Our Vicar's Warden, Mr. Albert Nelson, was first rewarded in his happy married life with a daughter. Since then, the daughter has been given ten brothers. A very happy Mr. Nelson was seen lately wearing a huge smile and informing his friends that he now had another daughter. The baby is to be congratulated as well as father and Mrs. Nelson. For seldom does a child start life in a happier, smiling family.

### CHRIST CHURCH, JARVIE

We are looking forward to the event of Confirmation. There are nine candidates and the classes are

most interesting. Any member, young or old, is welcome to come to these evening meetings at Mrs. Lee's home.

The news that Mr. Kzend's son is "missing" after air operations was a shock to all. There have been so many Jarvie casualties already and now again in one of our own families. We join our prayers with Mr. Kzends and his family that the final news will be good.

### ST. AIDAN'S, GLENREAGH

The trial week-night service was successful. Twenty-two came on Friday evening, January 25th. It meant hurried chores for many, but it was good to know that we could do it. We must try it again.

The Vicar always enjoys the half hour spent at the school each week. The children, also, seem to like it. Once last month the teacher was away through sickness. School was opened for a whole afternoon and Mr. Low spent the entire time there, arranging good romping games in addition to the Bible lesson. The children could stand such activities every afternoon, but we doubt if the Vicar could!

### ST. STEPHEN'S, SUNNYBANK

The congregation deserves credit for the fine response to the Saturday evening services. It was the only means of giving additional services. At first it was thought very unlikely that farm people would wish to come to church on Saturday night. Yet most people have done so, and regularly. This, together with the continued better attendance at Sunday afternoon services, has made the work very encouraging. So we shall continue with services at eight o'clock on the Saturday of the second week-end and 3.30 on the fourth Sunday.

### THE ATHABINA MISSION

The February visit was reminiscent of last winter. The train arrived at Flatbush in swirling snow and the parson was unable to get out to Athabina that night. He was entertained most hospitably by the minister of the Lutheran Church. The latter was convinced that the "people across the river" would not come to get their minister. But the record held. On Monday morning transportation arrived and the representative of Edmonton Diocese witnessed some interesting snow-bank "bucking" as far as the home of Mr. Richardson, where another monthly service passed with the usual good attendance.

## The Rural Deanery of Vermilion

### VERMILION

THE VEN. W. LEVERSEDGE

St. Saviour's W.A. held a most successful Valentine tea and sale of home cooking and aprons on Friday, February 11th, in the Memorial Hall. After a bitter cold Thursday, it turned warm in the night and was a lovely mild afternoon, which meant we had quite a large crowd.



## CHURCH MESSENGER

The weather makes such a difference. We are catering for the Men's Curling Banquet on Feb. 29th, which we have done for several years.

### CLANDONALD

The Ven. S. F. Tackaberry conducted Christmas Communion Service in St. Mary Magdalene's Church, Landonville, on December 12th. Then on January 2nd the Rev. F. A. Peake paid this parish rather a surprise visit. He had sent notices to the church members saying there would be a service, but owing to no mail delivery on Saturday, New Year's Day, very few had heard he was to be here, so the congregation was very small.

On February 13th the Rev. H. J. Jones was to conduct service at 3 p.m. Quite a few people came to church, but we presume he ran into bad roads on his way from Irwinville because he didn't get to Landonville. However, the parishioners decided to hold their annual meeting while waiting for Mr. Jones.

Mr. N. Molineaux tendered his resignation as Vicar's Warden; a new one to be appointed later by the clergyman. Otherwise the other Warden and the Vestry will continue as in 1943. A subscription is to be made to the broadcasting expenses of our churches in Edmonton, which are listened to and enjoyed by many of us.

The parishioners are to share equally with the W.A. the cost of a dressing for the church floor.

The W.A. have held regular monthly meetings—thanks to the good roads and weather. At present each member is piecing blocks for a quilt for the Dorcas, also gathering material for another quilt to be used for the Red Cross. Small gifts were sent by this branch to each of nine boys in uniform from our parish.

The W.A. have added three new subscribers to the "Church Messenger" from our midst.

### CHRIST CHURCH, MANNVILLE

The Women's World Day of Prayer Service was held in Christ Church this year, the members of the W.M.S. of the United Church and the members of the W.A. attending. The leaders were Mrs. K. C. McLeod and Mrs. J. B. Burch.

A second service was conducted by the Guild Auxiliary, and the C.G.I.T. of the United Church.

The Woman's Auxiliary catered for the Ladies' Curling Bonspiel, with a banquet at Mrs. R. Johnston's store. This was quite a successful event. The girls held a whist drive at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Croft, Monday evening, February 21st. This was well patronized, and returns very satisfactory. Our whist drives have been limited to this one each year, but then it has been thoroughly enjoyed.

Brief services have been held on the past two Wednesday evenings in Lent, immediately preceding choir practice. We hope to use a lantern for the remaining weeks.

**India-China Famine Relief Fund**—Up to the present we have received \$37.50 for this Fund and hope for further contributions yet.

**Burials:** Mannville—Services at Christ Church, interment in Mannville cemetery, February 4th—Mrs. Akroyd, Mannville.

Minburn—Services in Minburn United Church, interment, Minburn cemetery, February 5th—Mrs. Jesse Robinson, Minburn.

## Rural Deanery of Wainwright

### HOLY TRINITY, TOFIELD

THE REV. A. A. COURT

The Senior W.A. met at the home of Mrs. Barden on February 3rd, with eight members and one visitor. We were especially glad to have Mrs. Gill and Mrs. Lancaster with us from Lindbrook. Mrs. Lancaster is a faithful W.A. member of long standing and Mrs. Gill's children are enrolled as Little Helpers, and we trust Mrs. Gill will see her way clear to attend more W.A. meetings. A good deal of business and correspondence was attended to. Mrs. Baptist partly renewed various chapters in last year's Study Book. We regret our minister was obliged to curtail his travelling to this centre, but appreciate his sincerity in keeping in touch with us as regards the church's side of the work. We received letters containing literature, appealing for financial help and medical relief for the famine-stricken people of India and China. Some of us presented our offerings to relieve the suffering and sorrow of those in such desperate circumstances. On February 20th—Other envelopes may have since been handed in and we anticipate a Christian response to this appeal, ever remembering to: "Give that they may live."

Lenten boxes and a Lenten leaflet have also been sent to our Church people—the leaflet is well worth studying and consideration and may our gifts for the work of the Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada be worthy of our membership.

The World Day of Prayer Service was held in the United Church on Friday, February 25th, at 2.30 p.m. Those taking part in this beautiful order of service as issued by the Inter-Board Committee of the Women's Missionary Societies of Canada were Mrs. D. K. Allan and Mrs. Rolloff of the United Church and Mrs. C. Baptist and Mrs. J. W. Robinson of the Anglican Church.

**Services:** Canon Winter kindly came to us for Evensong on February 20th.

Sunday School is being held regularly but measles and the "Flu" have been a disturbing element lately. We trust all will be well again soon. We were sorry to hear that Mrs. Joe Brown of Lindbrook was a patient in the Royal Alexandra Hospital and trust she will soon be home again with her family.

**Born:** December 17th, Lillie Gail Gill, of Lindbrook.

### ST. MATTHEW'S, VIKING

We are sorry to hear that we are losing the Rev. A. A. Court. During the months he was with us we deeply appreciated his services.



The W.A. held their annual bridge and whist party on January 28th, which was a big success.

We wish every happiness to Mr. and Mrs. Player in their new home at Benton, and are sorry to lose their faithful attendance at church.

Word has been received by Mrs. Bird that her son John has been transferred from the tank corp to the R.C.A.F. Sapper David Scott has again returned to hospital, after already spending three months there, following two operations. Sapper Scott left four years ago for overseas service with the 9th Army Troop Coy. of the Engineers.

We hope that our Roll of Honour will soon be completed to be put in the church.

### WAINWRIGHT

THE REV. L. A. BRALANT

Last month was characterized by an awakened interest in our church-life here. The congregational supper on Valentine's night was an outstanding success, not only from the catering aspect, but by reason of the happy spirit which characterized the gathering. Already we have heard inquiries as to when the next gathering of this sort is to be held.

It is encouraging to note that our pleas for co-operation have met with a response. The numbers in Sunday School have noticeably increased with the change of the time of meeting to 12.30 p.m. Also, there is an awakened interest in the choir. There is much hard work to be done in both these spheres, but if loyal co-operation is given, success will crown our efforts.

Thanks are due to all who helped the Indian and Chinese Famine Relief Fund, making up a total of over \$60 from this area.

We are glad to note the numbers are keeping up at Battle Heights. The weather is kinder this year and enables parson and people to get around easier.

The prayers of our people are asked for those being prepared for confirmation, as well as for those who have the solemn responsibility of giving the preparation. There is a need that our confirmers make a conscious, definite act of surrender to the Lord Jesus Christ if their future connection with the Church is to have much value. Our experience is that all too often our members have a "head knowledge" but little "heart knowledge."

Please remember the Wednesday Lenten services at 7.30 p.m. We are studying together the Canadian Lenten Book, "A People's Heritage." We might well implement our studies by becoming regular readers of the Word of God. There are still some who do not belong to the Bible Reading Fellowship, and we have notes on hand for those who wish to join. Let us make this Lenten season a time of deep personal spiritual uplift and joy by daily prayer, reading, and regular worship.

We regret to announce the passing of three of our members. Services were conducted at St. Thomas' Church, Wainwright for the following on the dates mentioned.

John Callas, 31st January.

Isabella Simpson, 7th February.

Mary Bailey (Griffiths), 10th February.

## Rural Deanery of Wetaskiwin

### ST. MARY'S, PONOKA

THE REV. W. T. ELKIN

The annual congregational meeting took place on January 18th, with a good attendance; Rev. Wm. Elkin acted as chairman.

The Rector's annual report gave a satisfactory summary of all events pertaining to the parish during the past year. In thanking those who had taken part in church activities, Mr. Elkin made special mention of the Sunday School superintendent and teachers, choir and organist, and drew attention to the work done by the W.A. and Vestry in improving the building and grounds.

The financial statement showed an increase in receipts and a decrease in expenditures. All financial obligations have been met and no outstanding accounts remained.

Report from the Building Committee showed that the church had been given two coats of paint, a new ridge row had been put up, chimney extended, foundation repaired and furnace overhauled.

Other reports which gave evidence of a successful year were those from the Woman's Auxiliary, Juniors and Little Helpers, Sunday School, Rector's Warden and People's Warden, and Envelope Secretary.

Mr. Percy Wilkins was named Rector's Warden, Mr. T. Hickmore, People's Warden. Vestrymen were elected as follows: C. Plant, J. Callahan, H. Kelly, W. Justin, C. Healing, S. Bird, P. Christopher, Mrs. J. Northcott, Mrs. W. Justin, Mrs. J. F. Gordon. Mr. Hickmore and Mr. P. Wilkins were appointed to act as lay delegates to Synod, and Mr. C. Healing was named Auditor.

It was decided to establish as soon as possible a Rectory Fund, and the following committee was appointed for that purpose: Mr. W. J. Young, Mr. C. Plant, Mr. H. Kelly, Mrs. J. Northcott and Mrs. J. Gordon.

The Sunday School is well attended and a keen interest is shown by the pupils. We are fortunate in having such a fine staff of teachers.

**Marriages:** January 31st, Esther Pauline Rudick to Thomas James Prince, R.A.F.

### IMMANUEL, WETASKIWIN

THE REV. W. T. ELKIN

Offering thanks for the payment of the rectory debt of the church, the Rt. Rev. W. F. Barfoot of Edmonton was guest speaker at a special Thanksgiving Service held on Sunday evening, February 20th. The service was conducted by the rector, Rev. W. T. Elkin.

As his text Bishop Barfoot chose the first verse of the 147th Psalm, "Oh praise the Lord, for it is a good thing to sing praises unto our God. Yea, a joyful and pleasant thing it is to be thankful."

It is a natural thing to be thankful over benefits that have been received, the Bishop stated, but reminded his congregation that one should remember



to be thankful also when trials and tribulations befall. Job, he said, was a man who, when his whole world fell about him was able to say, "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away. Blessed be the Name of the Lord." This is the spirit that is necessary, Bishop Barfoot said, and one must be prepared to accept the evil with the good.

He congratulated the congregation upon the removal of the rectory debt. The members of the congregation could have said to themselves that that this was a job finished and be satisfied with that, but instead they preferred to hold a service of thanksgiving.

On Tuesday evening, February 22nd, the congregation met in the parish hall, about seventy-five attending an enjoyable parish social. A programme was arranged by members of the Vestry; refreshments later being served by the W.A. members, under the direction of the new president, Mrs. S. Cole.

An evening group of the W.A., the first to be formed in the Diocese outside the city of Edmonton, was organized on February 23rd at the home of Mrs. Pat. McFarland. This energetic group of the younger women are already away to a good start with about twelve members. Their officers are:

Honorary President, Mrs. W. T. Elkin; President, Mrs. Pat. McFarland; Vice-Pres., Mrs. J. Blockside; Sec.-Treas., Miss Dorothy McDonald; Little Helpers Sec., Miss Dorothy Roper; Dorcas Sec., Mrs. John MacEachern; Educational Sec., Mrs. Elkin.

Special services are being held on Friday evenings in the church throughout the Lenten season.

The following baptisms took place during the month of February: Penelope Jean Shaw, Edmonton; Douglas Dale McNally, Wetaskiwin.

## CAMROSE

THE REV. A. WALLIS

We held our congregational annual meeting on Monday, 31st January, the Rector acting as chairman. Minutes of the last annual meeting were read by Mr. Holloway, and the business went right ahead. The report read by our secretary-treasurer, Mr. A. E. F. Cary, showed our financial standing to be sound, and very encouraging. He thanked Mr. Fitzpatrick for lending his car for rural trips, and the congregation and Vestry for their co-operation.

The report of the work of the W.A. by our secretary, Mrs. E. V. Kerr, was very interesting, and showed the past year to have been most satisfactory, as the financial statement read by Miss J. Roper proved.

The Sunday School report by Mr. Fred Stewart showed a decided increase in young people. Mr. Stewart thanked the teachers for their services. The Altar Guild report and Financial Statement were read by Miss J. Roper, and Mrs. R. Fuller reported on the work of the Little Helpers.

Preceding the election of officers, the Rev. A. Wallis spoke briefly, urging us to put first things first. Christ and His Church first; the other activities, however noble, are "but broken lights of Thee, and Thou, O Lord, art more than they." The Rector expressed his sincere appreciation to Dr. H. B. Ness who had been his Warden since 1938; to Mr. A. E. F. Cary, Sec.-tres.; to Mr. H. Holloway, secretary, and to the Vestry—thanking everyone who had had any part in making the past year successful. The latter phrase, used so much, reaches far beyond the finances of a church, it reaches right up into the prayer-life of each in-

dividual member, for therein lies its strength.

Most of these friends were included in the report of our W.A. annual meeting last month, but we would thank Mrs. Cary for being our organist; it is literally a "labour of love," and the choir. One other, Miss Elaine Reynolds, who collects for the Bible Society, grateful thanks! Elaine has also joined the ranks of Sunday School teachers. Glad to have you, Elaine.

Officers for 1944: Rector's Warden, Mr. W. F. Grafton; People's Warden and Treasurer, Mr. A. E. F. Cary. Vestry: Messrs. F. Stewart, P. Colbert, J. Kerns, H. Holloway, Mr. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Newall, T. Veale, L. Murrant, H. H. Bradley, A. E. F. Cary, W. F. Grafton and Dr. H. B. Ness. Lay Delegates to Synod: Mr. A. E. F. Cary and Mr. W. F. Grafton.

Mr. Kerns voiced the appreciation of the congregation for a rector like Mr. Wallis. He also stressed the importance of the work of the Sunday School and Little Helpers.

We enjoyed the musical programme very much, thanks to Mr. Newall, Mr. Pat. James and Kenneth Campbell.

This is the end of our annual meeting, and everyone felt that it had been a happy occasion of friendliness and hopefulness. Oh, we mustn't forget to say the buttered buns and tea were good, thank you!

**W.A.:** We have a Dorcas secretary now—Mrs. C. McDonald—which makes us complete. We are beginning to talk needlework; bale, deanery, and social service. Those who can needlework, please offer to help.

**A.Y.P.A.:** For our social programme last month we went to the "Lit" at the High School. It happened to come on our night, and some of our members were taking part, so we went to enjoy the fun, coming back to the hall for refreshments afterwards.

For "edification", Peter Gorovich brought along a very interesting paper on the "Bloc Populaire," which opened up a limitless field for discussion.

Our worship program consisted of lantern slides on the "Life of Christ," accompanied by a talk by our Rector, which was much appreciated.

For work, we wrote letters to boys who used to come down from the camp, and who are now in many other places. We could do more than write—we could remember them in our prayers.

We have had two military whist parties—W.A., and Group—very successful from every standpoint. Thanks to Mrs. Veale, who convened them, and to Lieut. G. Murrell-Wright for acting as "M.C."

Phillips Brooks said: "Duty makes us do things well, but love makes us do them beautifully."

There is a difference; it is fine but very real. Love gives a radiance, and makes the feet not only swift but glad, and hands eager as well as willing; it puts courage and a song into the heart, so that instead of just plodding along, we have wings.

**Burial:** January, 29th, George McFarland Munro; February 18th, Alfred Henry Coster (New Norway).

## ST. DUNSTAN'S, BITTERN LAKE

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The World Day of Prayer was observed this year by once more meeting in a home for the little service. It was a busy afternoon—first a quilting meeting for the Red Cross, and then the service, which joined us with the great circle of praying women throughout the world. Mrs. J. G. Baker acted as leader and several others present took parts of the service.



# THE WOMEN'S PAGE

by Edith Peace

## THE ANNUAL.

All roads will lead to All Saints' on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, March 7th, 8th and 9th as W.A. members everywhere attend the Annual. Those of us who have been interested in the work of the W.A. look forward to this more than anything, and one does not have to attend very many Annals before one can pick our familiar W.A. faces from most parishes, town and country.

I do hope we shall have a splendid turn-out of delegates this year, and that the happiest spirit of fellowship will pervade all our deliberations. I know it is not easy for some country branches to have delegates at the Annual, but as many as possible should come just so that they can go back to their branch and give a first-hand account of all that took place, and impart some of the inspiration of the Annual to those who can't come themselves and wish they could.

## DURING LENT.

I must abstain from anger's wine, I must not raise vainglory's cup. Folly and greed are kin of mine, with them I must not sup.

I must not eat black passion's bread; nor quaff a draught of bitterness. The vows of abstinence, lip-said—must have my spirit's "Yes."

I must not sit me at the board prepared by jealousy and ire. Now must I meekly walk abroad, emptied of all desire.

My heart an empty cup must be, for unto it there soon will flow a stream of shining ecstasy, when Lenten lilies blow. An empty cup, prepared to hold the beauty Eastertide doth bring—small bells of blue and trumpets gold, and miracle of spring.—WILHELMINA STITCH.

## MEAT RATIONING.

It was no surprise to hear that meat rationing is to be discontinued for the present, at least. It is very doubtful if there was ever any real need for rationing meat in the first place, and I honestly believe that the effect of it was to make people buy more meat than they had done before. Several times I caught myself buying an extra half pound in order to use up a coupon where under ordinary conditions I would have been content with what I had. I really think that the price of meat is more than enough to regulate sales at present. Considering the enormous quantities of meat in the country the prices are much too high for those of us who have to live on modest salaries.

## AN AIRMAN'S LETTER.

The Editor passed on to me a letter he had received from Canon Gower, which I had heard the Canon quote in his sermon. It was from a Lutheran

boy to his mother, and was found among his personal effects after he was killed whilst returning from a night patrol. It reads as follows:

"My Dearest Mother and All,

As I write this I am still in the best of health and feeling fine.

It is only because of several fatal accidents in the squadron of late that I write.

Right now I pen this for a twofold purpose. Firstly, that you do not imagine yourselves sole mourners, as of late several chums of mine among which were included devoted sons and husbands have also been taken. Secondly, I would like you to know to what extent I have been prepared for the end. With the loss of more and more of our chums of earlier training it has been increasingly apparent that we live only by the Grace of God.

Should God so choose to take me from this earth I would like you to know that I am well prepared and died in the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ.

God has been gracious so that I have been able to receive communion and attend the services at our own Church here in London.

In ending I would like to express my last wish, namely, that you do not mourn for me too much as I will have gone to Heaven through Christ, but sooner look toward your own end and have Faith unto death when we shall be reunited.

Love to all,

Your devoted son and brother,

Walther."

The mother who received this letter has since died of cancer, but she was greatly comforted in her passing by this letter from her son.

I don't know how many of our boys could write a letter like that. Most of them are very shy about writing religious letters to the family back home. There is one sentence in the letter which appealed to me greatly, and that is where he wrote, "Do not mourn for me too much." I have one friend who lost her boy, and it has made her very bitter so that she no longer attends our meetings or comes to church. I cannot help thinking this is a very wrong attitude to take, even though I feel keenly with her in her sad loss. I believe my Church would mean a great deal to me, and prove a great help to me if I were faced with the same tragedy. Prayers did not stop bullets in the last war, and they will not in this war, but they do bring us close to Him Who can enter into our suffering, and show us Hope and Faith and Courage even in the darkest days. Don't shut yourself up with your sorrow, or you will be dead as well as your son. Bring your sorrow into His presence, and you will know that your son that was dead is alive again for evermore.

EDITH PEACE.



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